FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 1

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: SUPERB CONDITION CENSUS 1793 COHEN-1
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. ~~Extremely Fine~~ 40. I above forecurl; period after A3, U touches ribbon. ~~6.88~~ 106.17 ~~grams~~.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: ~~40~~ 30 SM
DESCRIP: Choice chocolate brown color on either side. Boldly struck with details of a notch higher grade, but reduced because of a small rim mark below the bust tip. The reverse die had started to buckle at the center when this one was coined, making HALF CENT weak. On balance, this coin is one of the choicest 1793 Half Cents we have seen, lovely color, smooth surfaces, and all devices legible. Truly a glorious example of our first die pairing of Half Cents. In the Condition Census, ~~this coin rates as number 5, tied with one other,~~ ~~for~~ of the top 12 makes it one of the best known of this die pairing.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, after the central reverse began to buckle, but before the rim break appears at F AME.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ricky Gross
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-325
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 2

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. ~~I~~ another above forecurl; period after A3, U touches ~~ribbon~~ 10.08 ~~6.55~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 3rd
DESCRIP: Here is an excellent example of the late reverse die state with the F AME rim break. HALF CENT is nearly obliterated from the central reverse die sinking and wear. Choice chocolate brown color with surfaces that appear smooth to the naked eye, but with faint porosity under magnification. Struck slightly off center on the obverse, better on the reverse. Plated in Roger Cohen's <MI>American Half Cents<M> second edition. One of the better coins seen of this rare late die state.
DIE_STATE: Reverse rim break at F AME and die sinking on HALF CENT which is very faint.
PEDIGREE: ~~Roger~~ Cohen kept few notes on where he purchased coins ~~from~~ for his primary set, in fact he kept his best Half Cents in ~~canvas~~ rolls. It is known that Mr. Cohen disliked "pedigrees" and therefore ~~failed to keep records of his purchases~~ discarded some of his purchase info. Mike Packard and Frank Wilkinson did extensive ~~research~~ and were able to track down a number of pedigrees, ~~which are listed~~, but not all were traceable.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-326
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 3

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. About Good 3. I above forecurl; period after A3, U touches ribbon. ~~6.61~~ another 102.0 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE_NO: 3
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but dark and with moderate, uniform porosity. Dark verdigris on either side, although most of the major devices are visible. The date is weak, as is the central reverse, characteristic of this variety. Trivial reverse marks are noted above UNITED, including a small ding. Scattered marks about the reverse, typical for the grade and early copper.
DIE_STATE: ~~Middle~~ Early die state, before the rim break appeared.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-327
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 4

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine ~~30~~ 20. I above forecurl; A3 touches ~~ribbon.~~ ~~6.39~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF / stem 98.61
GRADE_NO: ~~30~~ 24
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields, with lighter devices on either side. Light porosity visible with a glass, although the coin is decidedly better than the majority seen of this variety. Trivial rim mark above the T on the obverse, while the reverse is clean save for minute scratches near the center. Not in the Condition Census, but choice enough to warrant a strong price.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ray D. Munde, earlier from Jon Hanson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-328
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 5

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 3. Fine 15. L above forecurl; A3 touches stem. ~~6.75~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15 104.18
DESCRIP: Dark brown on the obverse, slightly lighter on the reverse. Details of a higher grade coin, but both sides have moderate porosity and pitting. The pitting is heaviest at LIBERTY, the cap and the date, as well as S2 to F1. A small planchet void above F1 caused by heavy corrosion. On balance, a strong coin for the grade but with the all too often seen pitting.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-329
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 6

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: REMARKABLE ~~DE~~LAMINATED 1793 COHEN-4
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 50. L above forecurl; U and A3 distant ~~from~~ ribbon ends. ~~6.56~~ grams. 101.25
GRADE_QUAL: AU AU In fine ~~Ex~~ net Fine (Good LE!)
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: This Half Cent is a beautiful tan with pristine, glossy surfaces. However, there is a large plachet ~~strip~~ lamination which has peeled off ~~delaminated from~~ the obverse from the base of the coin to the top. Another area on the obverse appears to be weak and ready to peel off from the I to the rim before the tip of bust, but remains attached. Half the date and ERTY, as well as everything in between, is weakly visible because of the lamination. At a glance, one would think that the coin should be significantly underweight, yet it is less than 5% below other high grade coins and close to the mandated weight. Inside the lamination, there is some red coloring, but it is not too distracting. Turning to the reverse, it is nearly perfect, lovely color and surfaces, the only detractions requiring a glass to discern. A faint toning spot above E2 as well as a very faint scratch between E2 and S2. Plated (obverse only) in the second edition of Cohen's Half Cent book.
Curiously, a number of planchets from this variety exhibit laminations, apparently the copper supply received improper casting and rolling before ~~coining~~ striking.
DIE_STATE: This coin has striking characteristics and color that would easily put it within the top ~~25%~~ 5% coins for the variety. Yet, the planchet defect is so massive that most viewers either think it destroys the coin's desirability or gives it a great deal of "character". We don't believe many will take a middle ground stance. Roger thought the coin was a fascinating piece with an abundance of character. In fact, it was one of the most prized Half Cents in his extensive collection as it so clearly testifies to the many trials and tribulations experienced by the officials and coiners of the Philadelphia Mint during its embryonic development.
PEDIGREE: ~~From~~ Stack's Turrini Sale, February 1972, Lot 185
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-330
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

AU sharpness
Net Fine

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 7

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. (another L above forecurl; U and A3 distant from ribbon ends. ~~6.85~~ 10 5.71 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 SJM
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown with the bust lighter. Details of a higher grade, but moderate porosity reduces it to this level. A small scrape on the I of LIBERTY, another above TE on the reverse. Areas of dark red, mostly on the periphery. Well centered and a pleasing example of this scarce variety.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-331
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 8

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DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Large letters edge. Wide date, 179 recut, pointed 9; spur ~~at A2 on right base~~ ~~5.67~~ 1029 grams.
on right serif of A2.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 30 30n
DESCRIP: Choice tan with a darker streak across the lower third of the obverse and dark toning areas on the high points of the devices. On the reverse are two areas of red color; one from S2 to AM, the other from below the CE of CENT to UN. A hidden scratch is visible before the forehead of Liberty, as well as a couple of minor rim marks. Quite attractive and very close to Condition Census for this variety and one that would make a welcome addition to any high grade collection.
DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies with marks visible from the neck to nose, and cap to hair, similarly in the wreath on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-332
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 9

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1b. Rarity 6. Very Fine 20. Wide date, 179 recut, pointed 9; spur ~~below the~~ right ~~foot~~ serif of A2. Small edge letters. ~~5.83~~ 89.97 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 12an
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but moderately porous and now a dark brown color. The 17 in date ~~are~~ is weak, while the 94 ~~are~~ is strong, with all recutting visible. While this variety is often found with the large edge letters, it is quite rare with the small edge letters (note the distance between the RE of HUNDRED, it is close on large letter coins, quite distant on small letter examples). In other 1794 varieties, the small letter edges are more common. A faint scratch between NI and another across E2 to below S2. In summary, a choice example of this very rare subvariety that should command a substantial premium.
DIE_STATE: Clash marks on the obverse and reverse are weakly visible.
PEDIGREE: Ex Tony Terranova at the 1977 ANA Convention, earlier Nicky Gross
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-333
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 10

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. 1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; S2 distant and leans right. ~~6.75 grams.~~ Small edge letters. ~~6.75~~ grams 104.17
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: ~~40~~ ~~30~~ 35 net 30
DESCRIP: A choice light to medium brown color that is so seldom encountered on these early Half Cents. Trivial light circulation marks are visible, mostly with a glass, but not enough to diminish the ample appeal of this example. Heavy clash marks visible on the obverse, and plated in Cohen's second edition of his book as the "Clashed Die" for the variety. Really choice and a very desirable example of this variety and date in general. It is the 5th coin listed in Roger's ~~the~~ Condition Census and therefore worth a substantial premium.
DIE_STATE: Struck from heavily clashed dies with much of the wreath visible before Liberty's face and neck.
PEDIGREE: ~~Possibly purchased from~~ Julian Leidman
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-334
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 11

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 2. Very Fine ~~30~~ 20. (1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; S2 distant and ~~leans right~~ another) Small edge letters. ~~6.42~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: ~~30~~ 20 99.07 ~~est~~ 30 ret 15
DESCRIP: Glossy surfaces and medium brown color throughout. There is an unusual planchet lamination on the reverse; it begins below T4 in the wreath, travels upward diagonally to A4, then spreads to encompass STAT to the rim. Although extensive, loss of device detail is minimal. Another tiny lamination on and near the 1 of the fraction.
DIE_STATE: The obverse clash marks are heavy, deeper than on the preceeding coin. Again, no reverse clash marks are visible. Roger once discussed this conundrum with Mike Packard as to why such heavy clash marks occurred on the obverse, yet none on the reverse die. Both noted that they had never seen clash marks on the reverse die for this variety, and that they had never seen another variety that used this obverse die either. Perhaps a new variety of 1794 is waiting to be discovered, one with prominent clash marks on the reverse. Or, possibly this reverse die was a tough old bird which refused to be impressed by the designs and repeated attentions of her mate. Lastly, perhaps the clash marks were polished off the reverse, but left on the obverse. Whatever the solution, here is a beautiful coin, one that just misses being in the Condition Censes and will certainly be a highlight in any collection.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-335
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 12

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 2. Fine 15. 1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; S2 distant and leans right. Small edge letters. ~~6.15~~ grams. another
GRADE_QUAL: F 94.91
GRADE_NO: 15 not 12
DESCRIP: Details of a Very Fine 35, but extensive light porosity on both sides. Black with lighter highlights on the devices. Some lighter color noted before the face in the obverse field. A rim bump above the ER on the obverse is the only mark worthy of note.
DIE_STATE: Very early die state before the dies clashed. ~~A coin that belongs in a die state collection, as this early unclashed state is very rare.~~
PEDIGREE: From Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-336
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 13

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: EXTREMELY RARE CONDITION CENSUS 1794 COHEN-2B
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. Very Fine 30. 1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; S2 distant and leans right. Large edge letters. ~~7.27~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 25SN 112.19
DESCRIP: Here is a coin that would command attention if it were a common small edge letter example; but this is a <MI>large letter edge<M>. Obviously, this coin is a recent appearance as it is not enumerated in Roger's Condition Census published in 1981 with the second edition of his book. On balance, a beautiful pleasing tan with a small spot of red color in the center of the obverse, another tiny one above the O on the reverse. Sharp clash marks are visible from the forehead to the neck. No marks worthy of note, and when one considers how rare and choice this coin is, it will certainly be one to attract the attention of knowledgeable ~~numismatists~~. Of the Twelve or so known, this is clearly the second finest of this sub variety, nearly all others grade Good or lower. A wonderful opportunity for the specialist.
DIE_STATE: Struck from a clashed obverse die, with evidence of the wreath from before Liberty's forehead to neck, as well as above and below the cap.
~~PEDIGREE: This is one of those whose provenance is unknown, but possibly from Robert Matthews~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-337
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 14

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. Good 4. (1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; S2 distant and leans right.) Large edge letters. 6.25 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: G 96.45
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: A second example of this elusive sub variety. Slightly bent and with a rim bump below the curls, and a couple of digs on and behind the cap. On the reverse, especially the lower third, is weak. Nevertheless, the color is even and if you didn't purchase the previous coin, then this is one of the best you will likely find. listed in Rogers CC as #8 finest for this subvariety
DIE_STATE: The clash marks are very weak on this example.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde, earlier Jon Hason from William K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-338
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 15

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. About Good 3. (another) ~~1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; S2 distant and leans right~~. Large edge letters. ~~6.78~~ 104.63 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE_NO: 3
DESCRIP: An incredible third example of this rare sub variety. Details of Very Good 10, but reduced because of scattered pitting on either side, heavier on the obverse. Two scratches on the obverse, one through the cap, the other on the 94 of the date to below the bust tip. The reverse has faint scratches, mostly near the center. As Mike Packard described this "there is a lot of meat on this coin". Were it not for the pitting, this would be one of the best known.
DIE_STATE: Heavy clash marks from Liberty's nose to neck.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Joe Kane in trade.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-339
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 16

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 5. Very Fine 20. 79 close at top, 4 distant from top; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair. Small edge letters. 6.61 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate and a trifle dull. Two small scratches in the field before Liberty's nose and minor porosity is noted on the reverse. Struck from a rotated reverse die by about 80<198> clockwise. Long heralded as a rare variety, this die pairing is just about impossible to find better than Very Good. Clearly, this Very Fine example should elicit spirited bidding, for it is well worth it.
DIE_STATE: Clash marks are seen from the nose to neck and at the juncture of the cap and hair from the opposing wreath of the reverse die. No clash marks visible on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: From Knox Ivey, earlier Sam Ungar via Julian Leidman
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-340
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 17

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 5. Very Good 8. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair. Small edge letters. 6.85 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Struck slightly off center with some of the dentils missing behind and below the hair. A medium to dark brown color with smooth surfaces interrupted only by two tiny black spots, one before the nose, the other below the Y. On the reverse, a single light mark up from A4, as well as a group of tiny marks near U. In summary, a very select example for this grade, one which would be a highlight were it not for the prior coin.
DIE_STATE: Usual clash marks surround Liberty, none on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde, earlier Hollenbeck-Kagin, 2/72
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-341
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 18

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 5. Good 6. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair. Small edge letters. ~~6.68~~ 103.09 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: A third example of this rarity, this coin has very dark brown fields with an almost matte appearance (from an even and light porosity) with glossy highlights. Roughness accounts for the weak date, as well as ITED STATES on the reverse. All else is visible, making this coin quite acceptable for this seldom offered variety.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Mr. Seltz~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-342
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 19

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: EXTREMELY RARE 1794 COHEN-3B LARGE EDGE LETTERS
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity ~~7~~ 8. Good 6. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair. Large edge letters. ~~6.18~~ 95.37 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6 Snet 5
DESCRIP: A nice medium brown, close to milk chocolate in color on either side. The surfaces are rough, but the porosity on the high points has been smoothed by wear. Trivial marks, one below cap and smaller ones above. On the reverse, which is uniformly porous, is a small mark above T4, another pit on the left edge of the fraction bar. However, the fact remains that this coin is the <MI>Second Finest Known<M> of this subvariety. In fact, only 3 coins are known of Cohen-3 with the large edge letters, making any appearance an event. One of the great rarities of the Half Cent series and certain to elicit furious bidding.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ OK William R Weber and earlier from Steve Fischer
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-343
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 20

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. 7 high, 9 low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf extends past top of T4, this leaf is one of a pair. Small edge letters. ~~6.10~~ 94.14 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 35 net 30
DESCRIP: Choice tan surfaces with a hint of medium brown. Hair detail is very strong, which is common to this obverse die. No distracting marks on the obverse, the reverse with a single mark on the rim below the left ribbon end, otherwise a truly delightful coin that will no doubt be one everyone will admire. ~~Probably at the low end of~~ the Condition Census for the variety~~, rated as the twelfth best in his notes.~~ 1/2 ear
DIE_STATE: Light clash marks surround Liberty, but no swelling below the curls.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ William K. Raymond, earlier Willard C. Blaisdell W.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-344
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 21

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. (another 7 high, ~~9~~ low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf ~~extends above~~ T4, this leaf being one of a pair.) Small edge letters. ~~6.80~~ 104.94 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: A lovely medium brown with nice surfaces, and one that would surely be choice were it not for dark encrustations about the reverse devices. Sharply struck and well centered. One for the die state specialist on a budget, and the earliest die state of the several pieces offered.
DIE_STATE: Struck after only light clashing on the obverse die, none seen on the reverse. No trace of the bulge below the curls.
PEDIGREE: ~~Thought to have been purchased from~~ Ex Daraia, earlier Ricky Gross
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-345
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 22

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. 7 high, 9 low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair. Small edge letters. 6.30 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate brown with the details of Extremely Fine, but the surfaces are microscopically granular. Free of distracting marks, this coin should fit the bill for a high grade type or variety collection.
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the first 1794 Cohen-4a listed above, with clash marks on both the obverse and reverse. No trace of the bulge yet.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Joe Flynn, earlier Phillip Showers,
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-346
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 23

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. (7 high, 9 low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair.) Small edge letters. ~~6.73~~ 103.86 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 30 not 20 very?
DESCRIP: Dark brown with pinkish highlights. On balance, the surfaces may have been burnished to remove some of the roughness, and now have a glossy appearance. A tiny rim mark is noted above LI, as well as a minute mark down the left side of A3. An important coin that is plated in both editions of Roger's book and the reverse was plated for Cohen-3 in the first edition.
DIE_STATE: A later die state than the previous examples, clash marks under chin, above cap and hair below. The heavy bulge extends from the 1 in date through the lowest curls and lower part of cap to rim. Likewise, the reverse has numerous clash marks and additional die cracks from the rim to M to leaf below. An additional crack from the rim, through TE to leaf below.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-347
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 24

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. ~~7 high~~ 9 low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one ~~of~~ a pair. Small edge letters. ~~6.76~~ grams. another
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 30 not 20 104.32
DESCRIP: Medium to dark chocolate brown color and smooth surfaces. A single rim mark is visible above B on the obverse, with another very small one just past the Y. Nothing else of consequence, just pleasing surfaces, without annoying problems that so often accompany these early issues.
DIE_STATE: The latest die state of this group, the bulge is strong below Liberty, with a crack from the rim to lowest curl while the reverse shows very strong clash marks and the pair of cracks, one between TE (~~of~~ UNITED), another through the M. A worthy coin for the die state specialist to study.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-348
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 25

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: SPLENDID 1794 COHEN-4B WITH LARGE EDGE LETTERS
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4b. Rarity 7. Very Good 10. 7 high, 9 low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf extends past T4, this leaf being one of a pair. <BI>Large edge letters.<B> ~~7.12~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Choice light to medium brown color, evenly balanced on either side. Although this coin has the details of Fine, numerous small rim marks are visible on either side, reducing the grade. A tiny mark on the cap and another on the neck, the reverse clean save for a lamination hidden on the right ribbon. Tied with ~~another~~ many others 109.88 for Second Finest Known of this elusive sub variety with the large edge letters.
DIE_STATE: Early on, Commodore Eaton noticed that most 1794 Half Cents had small edge letters, but that a few could be found with large edge letters. Not many people paid attention to the edges, and this information languished for several decades. With the recent publications on Half Cents and explosive growth of the Early American Coppers club, many people have now set to the task to further differentiate between dies ~~with~~ sub varieties and even multiple die states, how eagerly sought by legions of collectors. Where this further catagorization will lead is anyone's guess, but with so many collectors seeking coins, it will obviously continue to grow.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ William K. Raymond, earlier Jack Beymer, Doug Robbins, and ~~first noted~~ in our Wolfsen Sale, Lot 524, June 1975
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-349
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Stand from a heavily cleaned obverse die with evidence of the wreath above Liberty's cap, ~~below her chin and above the date~~. The reverse is also cleaned with the outline of Liberty's bust in the upper section of the wreath. ~~a~~ a crack for the rim through I / ~~to~~ the leaf below

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 26

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; berries beneath F and left foot of A2. Small edge letters. ~~6.56~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF 101.23
GRADE_NO: 25 20 JM
DESCRIP: Both sides are toned a bluish brown color, perhaps from an ancient cleaning, otherwise recovered today. A tiny nick below the 9 serves to identify, and other circulation marks are light and not worthy of note. The reverse die was rotated 40<198> when this coin was impressed. Based on available records that Mr. Cohen kept, it appears that this coin just made the low end of the Condition Census, being tied for 9th ~~tenth~~. Even though this variety is comparatively common, not many are found above ~~Very~~ Fine, so collectors had best acquire any nice ones that turn up.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with no clash marks readily apparent before Liberty's throat.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Stack's inventory~~ 2x SSS
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-350
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 27

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 4. Very Good 7. ~~Tops~~ another of 79 close, 4 distant from bust; berries beneath F and left foot of A2. Small edge letters. ~~6.44~~ 99.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 6sm
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields, ~~with~~ but lighter tan devices on either side. Minor porosity, ~~for the grade,~~ not really detracting for a coin of this grade. The reverse is rotated 30<198> clockwise. Well struck with all of the devices legible. Free of detracting marks.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceeding with clash marks visible on the obverse by neck and cap.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: 2/P
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-351
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 28

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: FINEST KNOWN 1794 COHEN-5B, LARGE EDGE LETTERS
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1794. Cohen-5b. Rarity 7. ~~Very Fine 35~~. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; berries beneath F and left leg of A2. <BI>Large edge letters.<B> ~~6.85~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 40 not 15
DESCRIP: Details of Extremely Fine, but ~~cleaned at one time~~ and now retoning ~~to a more natural olive tan~~. Rotated 40<198> on the reverse, common to this variety. A tiny planchet lamination just above the pole at the rim, another near lowest curl. Similarly, a light lamination above the tail of the right ribbon end. On balance, the surfaces show few circulation marks and aside from the ~~cleaning~~, reveal little evidence of handling.
When Roger issued his Second Edition in 1981, he knew of only this coin with the Large Edge Letters. Since then, three others have turned up, all in lower grades. This coin remains the Finest Known of this sub variety.
This was one of the final two coins Roger needed to complete his business strike collection of Half Cents by die variety (including the sub varieties with various edge letters). Both coins (the other is the unique 1794 Cohen-6b) were acquired from William R. Weber in an earth shaking trade that occurred in October of 1988, about two years before Roger's death. As a result of this trade, Roger completed his Half Cent variety set, the first person to complete this series, with great satisfaction and happiness.
DIE_STATE: Early die state.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased (in trade) from~~ William R. Weber; earlier William K. Raymond, Q. David Bowers, Stack's, Lot 61, October 1967
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-352
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

105.7 whipped
clockwise
whipping
in trade
Ex
Jay Sale
77?

If the coin was returned to a more natural (brown) color, it would be more appealing.

Ex Stack's Jay Sale, Oct 67, Lot 61, B&R stock in 1975, W K Raymond who first identified the sub var., W R Weber to ESC in trade in 1989.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 29

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 5. Very Good 10. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; vertical pair of leaves below T4. Small edge letters. ~~6.04~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Details of Very Fine but light porosity on the obverse and heavier on the reverse reduce the grade. Nevertheless, this example is still the fifth Finest Known in Roger's census and nearly unobtainable finer. Dark brown on the obverse, dull and a shade darker on the reverse. Scattered marks on the obverse, and identifiable by two reeding marks on Liberty's forehead. There are two scratches on the reverse, one from above UNI to rim, the other fainter one above AMER. Seldom offered in any grade, so don't let this opportunity pass you by while your attention is focused on the prior and following lots.
DIE_STATE: Struck after Cohen-3 and Cohen-5 as the obverse clash marks are stronger on this coin.
PEDIGREE: Thought to have been purchased from Ricky Gross, ~~earlier a dealer named~~ Isaacs
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-353
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 30

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE UNIQUE LARGE EDGE LETTERS 1794 COHEN-6B
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6b. Rarity 8. <BI>UNIQUE<B>. Fine 12. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; vertical pair of leaves below T4. Large edge letters. ~~6.69~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 ~~[illegible]~~ 12 not 10 103.24
DESCRIP: Probably cleaned with resulting hairlines on either side, but this appears ancient in its origin, and now the coin is toned a pleasant medium brown color. Clean rims and surfaces, but here are a few identifing marks to keep the pedigrees straight: the obverse is clean and without discernable marks, the reverse has a vertical line from the top left leaf to the center base of E2, another down from the left ribbon end and a shallow mark just past the left stem end. If you are a serious collector of Half Cents, then avail yourself to this opportunity to purchase this Unique large edge letter Cohen-6b. If you fail to buy this coin, you may not have a chance to repurchase it any time soon, and the likelyhood of finding another large edge letter example of this very rare variety is slim at best.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with a bulge beneath Liberty's bust and strong clash marks on the obverse.
PEDIGREE: ~~Acquired from~~ William R. Weber in trade, earlier William K. Raymond, ~~Del Bland, Willard C. Blaisdell, Lee G.~~ Lahrman and F. R. Alvord
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-354
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Koseff-Lahrman sale, Feb 63, Lot 50, Willard Blaisdell
W. K. Raymond who identified the Large Edge Letters edge,
WR Weber to RSC in 1989

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 31

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: HIGH GRADE 1794 COHEN-7
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 5. Extremely Fine 40. 4 nearly touches bust, pair of leaves below T4. Small edge letters. ~~6.95~~ grams. 107.25
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 40 net 35
DESCRIP: Dark, almost black, color greets the eye when held in a light. An aura of silver radiates from the medallic devices, as the obverse die reveals vastly different engraving from those seen previously in 1794. What appears to be lumps along the edge is caused by the edge lettering, similar to many Bust Half Dollars that exhibit this same irregularity from edge lettering. Roger listed this coin as number 4 in his Condition Census for the variety, making it one of the best available. It is plated in the first edition of his book and should generate considerable excitement. (with one of the better ones residing in the Bass Auction)
DIE_STATE: The bust of Liberty is clashed on the reverse and a strong die crack extends from the rim through E1 to the H. For reasons unknown, the Mint tinkered with the large letter edge die on varieties Cohen-2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. After extensive use on the Cohen-1 variety of 1794, this large edge lettering device was employed on a handful of coins on each of these five varieties, and remains unknown after the high relief or mountainous hair obverse dies came into use with Cohen-7 and on. By 1795, a new edge lettering die was employed, differing from both used in 1794.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased~~ from Stack's Rawl's sale, Lot 1096, June 1970
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-355
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 32

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. Very Good 10. 4 nearly touches bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. ~~6.40~~ 98.76 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 12 net ~~10~~ 8 polished or likely diminished
DESCRIP: The color is a medium to dark chocolate brown and the surfaces are smooth. A couple of small pits on the obverse, none deep or distracting, the reverse with a shallow mark through C2. ALF and C of HALF CENT are weak, as sometimes seen on this die pairing. Glossy and pleasing for this rare variety, and ~~likely near~~ ~~or in~~ the tail end of the Condition Census. Just below
DIE_STATE: Liberty's bust is clashed on the reverse and with a die crack through T3 at top.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Miles Gerson, November, 1973
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-356
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 33

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. Very Good 8. another 4 nearly touches bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. ~~6.64~~ 10.24 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8 /5n 12 not 8
DESCRIP: Attractive medium brown color, but with several shallow marks on Liberty's head, as well as on the central reverse. Still an important coin and a rare early die state example.
DIE_STATE: Early die state without the crack from rim to T3.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Paramount's 1972 ANA sale
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: F
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-357
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 34

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. 4 nearly touches bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. ~~6.09~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 12 net 10
DESCRIP: Choice medium brown surfaces with but a few trivial and small rim marks on either side. Identifiable by a small planchet flaw near the end of the pole. On the reverse, a series of scratches are visible (but a glass is needed) in the lettering, but still far choicer than most seen, and it should be noted that this detailed list of marks are to serve more as identification than to describe any problems. For one glance will tell most collectors that this is a choice example of this difficult variety.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die crack is now strong from the rim to T3, but weak below this letter.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Joe Gallo~~ JJ Teapody, 1987
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-358
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

V6-10 another

93.98

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 35

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. Good 5. another 4 nearly touches bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. ~~6.40~~ 98.76 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5 VF not S
DESCRIP: Details of Very Fine, but heavily porous and granular on the obverse, much nicer on the reverse. A single rim bump above I1 serves to identify this coin. Not a striking beauty, but still a rare coin and deserving of a home with a die state specialist.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with a heavy crack through T3 to leaf below, and struck from clashed dies, although the evidence is faint at best.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from "Brookes"~~ Ex Joe Gallo
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-359
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 36

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. 4 nearly touches bust; 1 in numerator touches ribbon. ~~6.87~~ 106.02 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: This lovely example has choice reddish tan color on either side and is very well struck. As the mint had recently changed to this high relief style hair in late 1794, they noticed that Liberty's curls received the bulk of the initial wear. Therefore, once a coin entered circulation, it quickly wore down to Very Fine or so. By 1795, a lower relief head punch was used to engrave dies, keeping the hair in shallow relief allowed the dentils to protect the devices and also receive the wear, allowing Liberty's curls to remain strong after months of circulation. A lovely coin that would grace any collection.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with a crack through the tops of IBERTY and another from the rim just below the cap, through the cap to Liberty's hair. and on the reverse near the fraction
PEDIGREE: From Stack's sale, Lot 5, March 1972
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-360
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 37

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. 4 nearly touches bust; 1 in numerator touches ribbon. ~~6.96~~ 107.41 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Actually, this coin is Mint State 60, but weakly struck ~~and thus nets a grade of Extremely Fine 40~~. Nevertheless, original red glows up from either side, quite an event for a Half Cent from the 1790's. While most of this coin's problems are a direct result of the late die state and weak strike, it should be remembered that this was struck under crude conditions and should therefore be viewed accordingly by prospective bidders. The planchet shows a myriad of tiny marks, almost certainly present before striking. Weak on Liberty's face, bust and date, but all discernable. Likewise, the reverse is weak on the right side, opposite the weakness of the obverse. Some may attribute the strike to die failure, or planchet preparation, or to a late summer afternoon: perhaps it's all three. The weight of the planchet is normal, between the other two examples offered of this variety, so we don't believe that this was the cause. An important coin that should excite the die state specialist and one that has loads of charm and character.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the crack through the tops of IBERTY and a heavy crack from the rim, to cap and hair. Additional die stress above NITE, as seen on other examples of this die pairing.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from James R. McGuigan at the 1986 Milwaukee ANA
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-361
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

MS 60, but so weakly struck that the net grade is EF40.

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on the planchet

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Very hard to put a value on coins such as these. Some people may value it as Choice AU-Borderline Unc. others will deduct more for the weak strike and consequently value (and grade) it more as a EF.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 38

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. 4 nearly touches bust; 1 in numerator touches ribbon. ~~9.21~~ grams. another 11.26
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 30 not 25
DESCRIP: A lovely, choice Half Cent with splendid, almost lustrous surfaces and an excellent strike. Colored a medium to dark brown with hints of olive. An early die state, with no trace of the crack below the cap or through IBERTY, although the obverse die shows clash marks. Choice on the obverse, the reverse with a shallow scratch from the rim above E2 to the O in OF, as well as some planchet depressions below HALF. Here is a coin that would make a welcome addition to any high grade collection of these important "Little Half Sisters".
DIE_STATE: Early die state, no cracks and only the usual clash marks visible about Liberty.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-362
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 39

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. 1 in date is an I; no berries below A2. Lettered edge. ~~6.67~~ 10.295 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 25 30
DESCRIP: Well struck on a well prepared planchet and free of distracting marks to the naked eye. ~~An enticing coin that boasts light olive tan color and hints of original color on either side~~. Identifiable by tiny marks, one on the lowest curl, a couple of others near F1. The reverse rim has faint bruises above STATES, partly caused by the edge lettering and others by circulation. When examined with a glass, a number of tiny circulation marks are visible, keeping this coin from the choice catagory. Nevertheless, yet another attractive Half Cent.
DIE_STATE: The die is beginning to swell behind AMER, but still an early striking of this die pairing.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-363
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Probably cleaned and retoned long ago, the reverse now recovered, the obverse with still has some simulated ed.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 40

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. Lettered edge.
103.07 ~~6.68~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 30 not 20
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but this example has a small mark on the obverse left of the date, coupled with minute nicks hidden in Liberty's hair and surrounding fields. Why early copper seems to have attracted this type of abuse is likely a testament to its time. People traveled by horseback with their money jostling about in leather pouches, slamming these pouches down with authority at the local pubs and ale houses, further marking up the coins inside. Hence, often early copper, silver and gold show extensive circulation marks. Notwithstanding these marks, the color is medium chocolate brown with lighter devices. The cultivated collector can see beyond these minor imperfections and will delight in the aquisition of this high grade specimen.
DIE_STATE: The bulge ~~is visible~~ on the reverse at AME.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Julian Leidman
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-364
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

et is just starting to form

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 41

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Good 8. Another. Lettered edge. 7.70 grams. 118.83
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8 10 3M
DESCRIP: If a guess has to be made, this coin was likely struck from a cut down Large Cent planchet, although no undertype could be located. The standard weight authorized by Congress was 6.74 grams, making this coin nearly a full gram too heavy, even with its substantial wear. Today, it remains smooth, with medium to dark brown surfaces. Add to this the mark-free fields and devices and you have a delightful, although very heavy, Half Cent.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the bulge at AME just starting.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-365
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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or from a roll of copper that had not been reduced to the proper thickness.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 42

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Good 4. Another. ~~5.01~~ 77.31 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: A lovely Half Cent with dark brown fields and much lighter tan devices. Three tiny marks on the lower left wreath. But this is only half the picture, for this coin is extremely lightweight, with a planchet that weighs in with one-fourth less copper than it should. Perhaps it was cut down from some other copper stock, or perhaps the copper strip (from which planchets were cut) went through the rolling mills a few extra times, making it far too thin and thus making all planchets underweight. Whatever the cause, here is the result, and an excellent one it is.
DIE_STATE: Bulge forming at AME.
PEDIGREE: ~~From the~~ Brobston Collection ~~Sale~~ FPL, 1963
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-366
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 44

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 45. Punctuated date, no berries below A2. Lettered edge. ~~6.68~~ 6.70 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45 55 or 10
DESCRIP: Handsome choice tan and glossy brown surfaces, with minor mottling ~~in~~ of the color. A planchet cut ~~is~~ and defects are located at three o'clock on the obverse and corresponding area on the reverse, and appear~~s~~ to be mint caused. Extensive searching reveals some minute specks on either side, none of consequence. Delightfully well centered and struck, and on balance very choice. This one is thought to be ~~in the middle of~~ the Condition Census, with only a single coin seen in full Mint State.
DIE_STATE: Heavy bulge seen at ER along with a faint die crack above OF. Another crack through the tops of RICA to the fraction. Clash marks from the pole and bust point visible below OF. ~~[illegible]~~ nubbin 3 in
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-368
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 45

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. Lettered edge.
105.0 ~~6.81~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 30 net ~~20~~ 25
DESCRIP: Well struck and centered and now with dark, milk chocolate color with a darker area on the upper reverse. Identifiable by a tiny rim mark above Y on the obverse, and a shallow scrape above AT on the reverse. Scattered about the reverse is a network ~~are trivial~~ planchet laminations, ~~and~~ this coin reverse is plated in the second edition of Roger's book under "Defective Planchet" for this variety. One might conjure up a multitude of problems, but when viewed, this coin is truly choice and the insignificant laminations do not detract measurably. Close to the Condition Census for the variety and will undoubtedly become a highlight in a first-class variety set.
DIE_STATE: A die bulge through ER on the reverse. and another in front of the face at the rim.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-369
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 46

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: (BI) Double Struck (B)
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. Lettered edge.
101.70 ~~6.59~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Smooth dark brown surfaces. But this is only half the story, as the entire reverse is double struck, with a slight shift to the right on the second strike, and a rim clip behind Liberty's cap. Excellent color, surfaces ~~and a~~ truly spectacular error coin. If a guess had to be made, we believe that this extraordinary coin will find a home as the centerpiece of an error collector's Half Cent collection.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the bulge strong the ER on the reverse. What more could a collector hope for: a late die state, double struck and with a rim clip.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-370
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 47

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: IMPORTANT 1795 COHEN 2B PLAIN EDGE
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. Fine 15. Another. <BI>Plain edge. <B>~~5.33~~ 82.25 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Struck on a lightweight planchet with a plain edge. Blessed with the lightest milk chocolate color and a small reddish streak below and left of the cap and with similar areas on the reverse from D to C2. One faint scratch is visible from the rim to the second curl from the bottom on Liberty and there is a small rim clip from near the end of the pole, visible on either side. Sought after with characteristic vigor by collectors, and a subvariety which is rarely found in any grade, much less this choice. Thought to be tied for the Fourth best in the Condition Census and with an illustrious pedigree.

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DIE_STATE: Middle die state with the bulge at ER strong, but not too heavy. Weak at the central reverse.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Anderson Dupont Sale, Lot 1045; earlier Commodore W. C. Eaton

November 1954

PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-371
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Commodore W. C. Eaton, Stack's Dupont Sale, November 1954, lot 1045.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 48

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Very Good 8. Punctuated date; leaf tip between UN. Plain edge. ~~4.94~~ 76.23 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Choice olive tan color and smooth surfaces. Identifiable by a trivial pin mark from the pole above the tip of bust to rim and a series of similar marks traversing the central reverse from the M and terminating between NI. Weakly struck in the central reverse, as are most seen of this rare die pairing. Mr. Cohen's research placed ~~the bottom of~~ this coin in the Condition Census as number 10 of those he knew about. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from National Coin Studios
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-372
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 49

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: VISUALLY STUNNING 1795 COHEN-4
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 50. Punctuated date; no berries either side of bow. Plain edge. ~~5.72~~ 88.27 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 ✓ 55 net 45
DESCRIP: Sumptuous red and tan color with glossy, unmarked surfaces. One trivial toning spot above IB on the obverse, the reverse free of spotting or detracting marks. Struck enough off-center to eliminate about 1/3 of the dentils, as illustrated, but with all other device detail visible. During the process of preparing copper sheets for planchets, large rolls of copper were squeezed between heavy rollers and repeatedly drawn through until reduced to the proper thickness, causing a number of tiny marks to appear during this process. All too often, these marks are present after the coin is struck, very similar to too, was adjustment marks on silver and gold coins of this era. On copper coinage, these appear as a peppering of marks, often at the central devices. Similarly, a shallow planchet void is visible on the right obverse, which, this was likely caused during the planchet preparation process. ~~Early enough die state~~ Early enough to read HALF CENT, but these letters are weak. Roger Cohen kept extensive notes for the Condition Census of Half Cents, and this coin was the 5th best he had seen; and is also plated in the Second edition of his authoritative work on Half Cents as a "Defective Planchet" and "Off Center Strike". The sum of our observations is that this superlative coin belongs in an important variety collection, perhaps it will be yours.

discernable

Struck enough off-center

DIE_STATE: Early die state with the bulge beginning in the right obverse field and with the crack from T2, which weakens HALF CENT.
PEDIGREE: ~~From Levin, Kagin's MANA Sale of November 1974~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-373
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Some reddish patina (corrosion)
Very ~~—~~ well struck for variety

From Kagin's MANA sale, 11-74, Lot 3, NERCG EPL #4, 19
Pine Tree "Conway Bolt", 11-75, Pine Tree, 1-78, Lot #66

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 50

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 45. Another. Plain edge. 77.78 ~~5.04~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45 So not AU
DESCRIP: Choice medium tan to brown color with glossy surfaces. A large planchet clip on the upper right of the obverse and corresponding area of the reverse. Minor circulation marks are visible on both sides of the coin, as well as roller marks as seen on similar Half Cents! ENT not visible on the reverse from die failure. In the Condition Census as coin number 6, just behind the previous lot.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the bulge visible in the right obverse field, and crack through the upper reverse.
PEDIGREE: This example is from the Brobston Sale, where it was described as "Uncirculated, faded mint red"
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-374
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

including both of the mint state examples of this variety

making this fairly much ~~Weakly struck~~ for the variety

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 51

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1795
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.40~~ 83.33 grams.
GRADE_QUAL:	VF
GRADE_NO:	25 40 net 30 like hnd's
DESCRIP:	Details of a higher grade, but a light scratch is visible on Liberty's mouth to the tip of her cap, a tiny pit above the pole and a small rim mark across from her nose. Choice light tan color on either side, with the usual roller marks visible. CE not visible, as is typical of this die pairing. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book on Half Cents.
DIE_STATE:	Usual die state with the obverse bulge visible in the right field and central weakness on the reverse from the crack through T2.
PEDIGREE:	
PHOTO:	Y
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-375
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 52

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. Plain edge. ~~4.88~~ 75.31 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Olive tan in color with some darker spots, one orange spot to the right of Y, a few others on the rim. One minor planchet lamination extends from the point of Liberty's cap to just behind her eye. On the reverse is a minor spot on F. Struck a touch off center, and quite choice for the variety. The EN of CENT are quite weak, which is par for the course on all Cohen-4 Half Cents.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From the Levine ~~Collection~~ Sale, Kagin's, November 1974
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-376
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 53

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.12~~ 79.0) grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8 3 Bent, scratched
DESCRIP: This coin has the details of a higher grade, but it is slightly bent and there are a couple of digs on Liberty's nose, in the field before her face and another above the L. Similarly, the reverse has several light scratches in the center. A tiny planchet clip is noted above the cap. Additionally, the obverse has a number of laminations. Medium brown with darker areas around the devices, and a coin which should be examined.
DIE_STATE: Typical weakness at the central reverse.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-377
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~55~~ 54

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CLASSICAL 1795 COHEN-5A HALF CENT
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. ~~Another.~~ Plain edge. ~~5.12~~ grams. 79.01
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 ~~30 or 15~~ 30 or 25
DESCRIP: Another of the thin planchet subvariety. This one is a classic medium brown. A tiny dark spot is located at the tip of Liberty's cap and red corrosion is noted along the reverse rim above TATE and RI. The date is weak, but visible. Superb Half Cents, like this coin, are always in demand and are far rarer than commonly believed.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the ~~preceding~~, with the crack turning below the R and continuing below RIC. A second crack has developed between the D and S which runs roughly parallel to the upper crack, above HALF.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ K.P. Austin
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-380
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE: ~~Probably close long~~ 250

No Pole, no barries either side of box

next lot

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~54~~ 55

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. No pole; no berries either side of bow. Plain edge. ~~5.11~~ 78.86 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 ~~30 reduce~~ 20 not 18
DESCRIP: Olive tan ~~color~~ with brassy undertones (Cor) that suggest an ancient cleaning. A few patches of red erosion are noted; one below the I of LIBERTY, another in the curls above Liberty's shoulder. One small lamination is outlined in the left obverse field. A couple of minor rim marks are visible, but they are not too detracting. Boldly struck throughout. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book, with the reverse plated in the second edition.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the crack from T2 to R.
PEDIGREE: ~~From~~ Stack's Sale, Lot 2, April 1971
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
(Ex Stacks Bowers & PL later)
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-379
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 57

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE NORWEB 1795 COHEN 5B HALF CENT
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5b. ~~Rarity~~ 4. Very Fine 30. Another. Plain edge. Thick planchet. ~~27.44~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 Sanet 20 (14.2)
DESCRIP: Enticing medium brown color with choice smooth, almost glossy, surfaces. Details of a higher grade, but reduced because of minor edge marks below the date and above the cap. In addition, two tiny marks are visible above B. Struck on a very heavy planchet, which may have helped, as HALF CENT is entirely evident. Free of other detractions, and on balance, a truly choice Half Cent.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, with the sharp crack from T2 to R.
PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Merena's Norweb Sale, Lot 20, October 1987 and earlier from Richard Picker in 1960
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-378
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Contributed to the strong Strike,

C 2500
50 A 2100 2300

51. 1795 C-5b (R-4) Very Fine 30AC 114.7 grains. This subvariety was struck from the same dies as the preceding two lots. This subvariety was struck on thick, heavy planchets widely believed to be cut down, misstruck large cents.

This coin has a pleasing medium brown color with choice smooth, almost glossy surfaces. It has the details of Extremely Fine 40, but has several small obverse rim dings (at K-7:00, K-9:00, and K-11:00 on the obverse, and K-11:00 on the reverse) and two small holes above the B in LIBERTY. There is also a shallow dig above the 79 in the date. A few other light circulation marks are visible with a glass. The most severe is a light scratch from the bottom of the F in HALF to the berry to the right of the T in CENT. All the letters of HALF CENT are visible. Ex. Bowers and Merena's Norweb Sale, October 12 & 13, 1987 Lot 20.

(C 650
A 500) 1000

54. 1795 C-5b (R-4) Very Good 8A 102.9 grains. Same subvariety as the preceding lot. Struck on a cut down brockage large cent that was originally struck off center. A row of impressed denticles extends from the rim to the left of the L in LIBERTY, through that letter, the hair, ear, neck, and bust of Liberty to the rim where the 5 in the date ought to be. The date is not visible. The final A in AMERICA, some leaves below, and part of the bow are seen in the field to the left of Liberty's cap. On the reverse, a brockage TE is seen above the final S in STATES. The coin has dark brown, almost black obverse fields with a tan, almost silver color on the high points, especially Liberty's cheek and the point of her bust. The reverse is a uniformly olive/black color. The die reverse break is heavy. The word HALF is obliterated, but the bottoms of CENT are weakly visible. There is a small patch of corrosion in the wreath below and to the right of the T in CENT. This half cent is plated in the 2nd edition of Roger's book. Ex. Ray D. Munde, Jon Hanson.

C 450
A 350

322. 1795 C-5b (R-4) Good 6A 114.9 grains. A second example of the heavy 1795 C-5. This coin is a medium brown and has mostly smooth surfaces. There are a couple of light pits below the Y in LIBERTY. The normally weak 5 in the date has been retooled to strengthen it. The job was not particularly well done, but it does not really detract until seen with a glass. The die sank below the reverse crack and that portion of the coin just below the crack is well worn. There are a few light scratches over and through RICA in AMERICA. The reverse was plated as the variety C-4 reverse in the 1st edition of Roger's 350

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 58

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: Half Cent over an off center brockage Large Cent
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5b. Rarity 4. Very Good 7. Another. Plain edge. Thick planchet. ~~6.68~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 5th 103.09
DESCRIP: Struck over a cut down brockage Large Cent, with the dentils and A visible on the obverse of the Half Cent, while the reverse shows evidence of the off center brockage Large Cent with ATE of STATES visible near the final S of STATES. The coin has dark brown, almost black, obverse fields with a tan to silver color on the devices, while the reverse is a more uniform olive to black shade. The die break is heavy on the reverse, weakening HALF and CENT. A small patch of corrosion is noted in the wreath below the T in CENT. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse. An extraordinary error coin that shows how valuable every scrap of copper was, in that a spoiled Large Cent, struck off center and with a brockage on the reverse, was pressed back into service rather than remelted to a more dignified planchet, but was cut down to a Half Cent size and restruck.
DIE_STATE: Usual heavy reverse break, weakening the central devices.
PEDIGREE: Prom Ray D. Munde, earlier Jon Hansen
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: C
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-382
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 59

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5b. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. Plain edge, thick planchet. ~~7.46~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD 115.12
GRADE_NO: 4 7 net 3
DESCRIP: Light chocolate brown, but with the 5 in date crudely reengraved. This is the plate coin for the reverse of variety #4 in the first edition of Roger's book.
DIE_STATE: Another example of the scarce thick planchet subvariety.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-383
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 60

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. No pole; one berry left of bow. Plain edge. ~~3.77~~ grams. 89.04
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 3S net 30
DESCRIP: Nearly choice, with medium brown color on either side, although not quite as glossy as others in its grade range. Minor dark red and brown areas in the right obverse field, but this is being quite picky, as the centering is nearly perfect, as is the strike and overall appeal of this example. A single mark on Liberty's neck as well as a hidden lintmark above the L of LIBERTY will serve to identify this coin. No trace of any undertype can be seen, so this was likely a regular stock planchet, or was so well struck that the undertype of the Talbot, Allum and Lee Cent was obliterated. Whatever the case, this is a beautiful coin that will attract serious bidding.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with~~out~~ the bulge next to the Y.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, (Lot 6) March 1972; earlier from ~~the~~ Stack's Brobston Collection FPL, 1963
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-384
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 61

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CHARMING DOUBLE STRUCK 1795 COHEN-6A
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. <BI>Double Struck<B>. Plain edge. 5.80 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 8JM 89.51
DESCRIP: Possibly cleaned and retoned to a medium to dark brown color. Struck a bit off-center first, then reinserted into the press and restruck, this time properly centered. We note a small clip on the lower left obverse, as illustrated. Only the 17 of the date is visible, the double striking weakened the 95. Entirely double struck on both sides, with the first strike below and to the right on the obverse, and above and to the right on the reverse. No annoying marks on either side, and really clean for the grade. Another prize for the variety or error collector.
DIE_STATE: No trace of the Talbot, Allum and Lee undertype visible, and this may have been on a regular planchet stock.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: GK
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-388
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT: Date weak due to double strike
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 62

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.34~~ 82.41 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 VFnet 3
DESCRIP: Both sides have been cleaned and retoned to an unnatural olive, tan, orange and black in random order, especially on the obverse. The detail is strong, but the central obverse is deeply pitted, perhaps it was mounted as a button, and then an attempt was made to repair the damage by buffing and scraping. Struck a few degrees off center toward the cap, but all devices and lettering are clear on either side. Here again is a coin that could be retoned and perhaps repaired to make it more presentable, and as such, should be examined by prospective bidders.
DIE_STATE: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee ~~Cent~~, with the undertype visible along the periphery. Token
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-389
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 63

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Fine 15. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.35~~ 82-56 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15 40 net 15
DESCRIP: Details of a much higher grade, but ~~ravaged~~ impaired by a patch of red corrosion on the left obverse field and purple corrosion on much of the reverse. Aside from the corrosion, the obverse of the coin is an attractive dark brown, while the reverse is primarily a dark brown coupled with the pink, orange and purple color. ALL of ALLUM is visible above the cap and COMM of COMMERCE is visible above UNITED on the reverse. Still, a handsome coin of this variety, and the corrosion has the appearance of a light coat of paint rather than heavy cratering often seen on early copper.
DIE_STATE: ~~Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee Cent with undertype visible on the obverse and reverse.~~ Token
PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries Mail Bid Sale (MBS), November 1984, Lot 2001
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-390
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 64

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Very Good 7. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.35~~ 82.56 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Choice tan color on either side; however, scattered depressions are noted on the obverse. These marks slightly bent the coin, and appear to have been applied by a blunt instrument. On the obverse are numerous tiny circulation marks visible with a glass. Even though this coin has been a bit battered, it still has the outline of all device detail sharp and was also plated in the second edition of Roger's book (reverse only) to illustrate the Talbot, Allum and Lee planchet stock.
DIE_STATE: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee ~~Large Cent~~ Token, with ALL clearly visible over TATE on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Ray D. Munde, earlier~~ Ray D Munde from Stack's Sale, June 1968, Lot 139.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-385
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 65

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.32~~ 82.10 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 40 net 15
DESCRIP: An excellent strike and toned a pleasing brown with darker highlights in the fields on the obverse, the reverse a golden tan with darker devices. A glass reveals numerous tiny marks, concentrated on the obverse, the most notable being above the 9 in the date. Still an acceptable coin for the variety collector, and much more pleasing than it sounds.
DIE_STATE: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee ~~cent~~, with undertype visible along the reverse periphery. Talbot
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-386
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 66

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Very Good 8. Another. Plain edge. ~~6.01~~ 92.75 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8 12 net 7
DESCRIP: Yet another example of this variety, this one with an even coat of olive green porosity on either side, and all devices sharp. One of the heavier planchets in this group, but not nearly as heavy as the 1795 Cohen-6b to follow.
DIE_STATE: Struck over a 1794 Talbot, Allum and Lee ~~Cent,~~ Token with undertype visible on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries MBS, November 1985, Lot 1466
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-387
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 67

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: DISCOVERY EXAMPLE OF 1795 COHEN-6B
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6b. Rarity 6. Fine 12. Another. Plain edge. ~~2.62~~ grams. legal 117.59
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 10 not 8
DESCRIP: While struck from the same pair of dies as the previous 1795 Cohen-6a coins, this one was struck on a very heavy planchet, about 25% heavier than the ~~regular~~ planchet stock seen. This type of planchet was discovered by Roger Cohen in 1953, and later it was determined that these heavy planchets were actually cut down Large Cents, ~~as a few more were discovered with heavy planchets~~. Well known since its publication in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M> in 1971, and eagerly sought by Half Cent collectors, who have now found a total of 18 of these heavyweight examples. This particular coin is plated, both obverse and reverse, in the first edition of Roger's book, and is placed as the ~~fourth~~ best in the Condition Census. A minor pit in the dentils above the R in LIBERTY and another mark above AL on the reverse will serve to identify this great rarity. In general, this coin is quite alluring and ~~should be~~ one of the many highlights in this vast collection.
DIE_STATE: Struck on a Large Cent planchet, although we couldn't find any undertype, and known as such by the very heavy weight of the planchet. Apparently, the spoiled Large Cents used were not rolled out to the proper thickness, accounting for the substantially thicker and heavier planchets.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ben M. Douglas
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-391
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 68

DENOM:
TYPE: wide
FEATURES: RARE 1796 COHEN-1 "NO POLE" HALF CENT
DATE: 1796
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Good 5. No pole; triple leaf at F2. Plain edge. ~~4.58~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD No. 68
GRADE_NO: 5 1 net 4 burnished
DESCRIP: One of the premier rarities in all United States Coinage, the "No Pole" 1796 Half Cent deserves its great fame and more. After more than a century since its publication a scant ~~20 or so~~ 17 have been found! ~~And of those, only five grade Fine or above. In fact, this coin, with a net grade of Good 5, remains at the low end of the dozen in the Condition Census kept by Mr. Cohen.~~ This particular coin ~~appears to have been lightly~~ was burnished on the obverse, probably to reduce the minor porosity, some of which remains. In the color department, one finds mottled shades of brown, with a rather pleasing appearance overall. A glance reveals a heavy die crack, which spans horizontally accross the obverse, known on all examples of this variety. Such a crack quickly terminated the obverse dies use, accounting for the great rarity of this variety. Furthermore, the crack likely contributed to the weakness on the upper reverse lettering and devices, as the lower plane of the die seems to exhibit a sharper strike in comparison. One of the highlights of the Roger Cohen collection and worthy of a revered place in any variety or date set.
DIE_STATE: It is curious to note that two obverse dies lack the pole to Liberty's cap of freedom: one is found dated 1795, with the 1 in date engraved from an "I", the other being this famous 1796 die, always found with the sharp bisecting die break and a regular 1 punch used for the date. Remarkably, the date and LIBERTY are often sharp, even on low grade coins, of this variety.
PEDIGREE: ~~From the collection of Ray D. Munde, earlier Jon Hanson. Mr. Cohen was able to purchase Ray D. Munde's collection of Half Cents intact in 1972 and a number of coins in this collection can be traced back to the Munde purchase~~

with this coin rated as the tenth finest seen

PHOTO: Y
~~COLOR: Y~~
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-392
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 69

DENOM:
TYPE: wide
FEATURES: A SECOND EXAMPLE OF THE 1796 COHEN-1, "NO POLE"
DATE: 1796
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. 4/18 grams. 64.51
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 net 4
DESCRIP: Similar to the previous example, this coin favors dark brown color with some lighter shades in the devices. Minor porosity on either side, but all device detail, lettering and dentils can been seen, with similar areas of weakness to the previous coin, as illustrated. Free of problems in general, the only visible ones are a minor patch of porosity left of the date and a minor rim irregularity between F A on the reverse. Still and all, one of the most sought after Half Cents, and rightly so, with a population of only ~~20 examples,~~ this being close to mid-range of those known. A second opportunity to purchase this great rarity!
DIE_STATE: The year 1796 unfolded with continued chaos for the employees of the Philadelphia Mint. Die steel that year was particularly prone to catastrophic breakage. The 1796 no pole Half Cent and the Bolender-6 Silver Dollar both exhibit terminal breaks, with no known early (unbroken) examples seen. Other dies seemed to break early, with many denominations revealing a rapid deterioration as cracks and die sinking appeared much sooner than seen during 1795 and later. Sources for die steel and even copper and silver were uncertain during this period, as the Mint struggled to coin every tidbit of metal than passed through their doors, using equipment that has to be considered meager at best. An in depth collection, like Roger Cohen's, chronicles these vast battles, as men matched wits against uncertain employment with the Senate attempts to legislate the Mint out of existence, disease and constant supply shortages of necessary equipment. Truly a struggle was unfolding, and today we can only but wonder how anything at all was produced during this period, and smile gently when we see the number of double struck, overstruck and off-center coins produced.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Jess Peters~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-393
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex ~~Roth~~ Jon Hanson, Roy O Merde

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 70

DENOM:
TYPE: wide
FEATURES: SATISFYING 1796 COHEN-2 "WITH POLE"
DATE: 1796
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Obverse with pole; triple leaf at F2. Plain edge. ~~4.78~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 7net4 7376
DESCRIP: An excellent match to either of the "No Pole" 1796's just offered, this coin has minor porosity and was lightly burnished on either side. Nevertheless, all obverse devices are clear, although part of the reverse lettering is very weak, with STATES and HALF missing as well as a portion of the leaves in the surrounding wreath. Again, this date has long be known as a great rarity, with only a handful found of either variety. An affordable example of this great rarity and certain to attract date and variety collectors, all of which need an example of this date.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From the collection of Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-394
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 71

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE 1797 COHEN-1 DIE PROGRESSION STORY
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Good 8. 1 over 1; 5 berries on left branch, outer leaf below E3 points to M. Plain edge. 5.25 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: This is the first in a long process of die disintigration. Here is the early die state, no bulge left of the L. Dark brown fields with lighter devices and well centered. Free of all but a couple of shallow scratches, one running from Liberty's forehead to her neck, others in the left obverse field. While we can't quite be sure as to what, this coin started out as something else, perhaps a Large Cent or Talbot, Allum and Lee ~~cent,~~ as there appears to be a ribbon knot next to the ~~final digit of~~ the date and other fragments above AM of AMERICA. On the reverse, STA and HALF are very weak and require a dash of imagination to discern.
DIE_STATE: Early die states are not common, and this coin is particularly nice for the grade.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-395
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 72

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another. Plain edge. 83.6 ~~5.4~~2 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 40 wet 35
DESCRIP: Struck well after the early die state, now the obverse shows a bulge next to the L, a crack from the rim through B, to Liberty's upper hair and just a hint of the crack from the end of the pole to rim. Excellent surfaces and strike, the only complaint being a scattering of trivial hairline scratches, well hidden by the patina of the copper. A single mark is located above the O of OF, which can serve to identify this coin. Cleaned and retoned with minor mottling on either side, and, on balance, a magnificent coin that possesses a quiet elegance which makes copper so charming to collect.
DIE_STATE: A later die state with a bulge next to the L, crack through B and very faint crack from the rim to the end of the pole.
PEDIGREE: Ex Jim McGuigan ~~at~~ at the 89 ANA Conv.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-396
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 73

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. Plain edge. ~~6.06~~ 93.52 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Medium chocolate color with smooth, glossy surfaces. Remarkably choice surfaces for a coin of this grade, free of all but the most trivial signs of contact. Plated in the first edition of Mr. Cohen's book for the "Normal obverse" and "Plain planchet" reverse. An exceptional value for the grade and quality.
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the proceeding, a growing bulge by the L, and a crack through B.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Tom Werner
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-397
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 74

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another. Plain edge. 76.94 ~~4.96~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 40 not 35
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown in color, with a minor corrosion spot below chin and bust, while the reverse is free of spots. One light mark extends from the rim below the cap up toward the lower point of the cap, and this same area shows evidence of the Talbot, Allum and Lee planchet from which this was struck. Well centered and struck and a delightful example of this middle die state. An excellent coin to represent the variety, with bold detail and interesting cracks to study.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceeding, with two bulges left of L, longer crack through B, a tiny one from the rim to pole tip and hints of the two cracks before Liberty's face.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ray D. Munde, earlier from Stack's, June 1968, Lot 140
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-398
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Gt

From Stack's Davis-Graves Sale, April 54 Lot 89;
to Stack's, June 68, Lot 140; Ray D Munde

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 75

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: AN EXTRAORDINARY 1797 COHEN-1
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.03~~ grams. <BI>Gorgeous.<B>
GRADE_QUAL: AU 93.05
GRADE_NO: 50 55 net 50
DESCRIP: Here is a coin that everyone will love! Velvety milk chocolate surfaces that look as if they just popped from the molds of the famous chocolate maker in Hershey, Pennsylvania rather than a Mint product of Philadelphia. And what an example, glossy and lustrous, the only detraction being faint roughness and red areas on the reverse, and free of nearly all signs of contact. Unless a full mint red example comes your way, we doubt you would ever want to upgrade this stunning coin.
DIE_STATE: Aside from the excellent color and surfaces, this coin has a wonderful collage of cracks and bulges. The two bulges near the L are growing, the crack through the B extends through Liberty's lower two curls to the rim left of date. Another crack through the lower part of the cap, another behind Liberty's face, yet another through the Y, one from the tip of Liberty's nose to rim near pole, with a branching crack to the junction of Liberty's chest and neck. Clearly, this die had shattered and was starting to weaken various ~~areas~~ areas of the obverse. Lastly, the reverse had finally cracked from the rim below the 2 to the tops of UN.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased~~ from W. K. Raymond, earlier Del Bland, Willard Blaisdell and Thomas Elder
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-399
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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Ex Thomas Elder, Willard Blaisdell & W.K. Raymond

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 76

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.32~~ grams. 82.10
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 20 net 15
DESCRIP: Here is yet another Cohen-1. This one with respectable and choice medium brown surfaces. Two small pits below CENT, another at the top of the I of UNITED. Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee token, with undertype visible on either side. Several die sections are loose, making some areas weak, others strong. On balance, a wonderful coin for the ~~budget minded~~ collector.
DIE_STATE: All the cracks mentioned on the previous coin, with a sharper horizontal crack above Liberty's eye.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-400
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 77

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.92~~ 91.36 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 25 net 20
DESCRIP: Well struck and centered for this die state, but still in the choice category. with lovely medium to dark brown color and glossy surfaces. A scattering of marks, mostly hidden on Liberty, a tiny rim ding above the Y on the obverse, and a shallow scratch from the leaf below F toward the rim beside. While many great coins are offered in this collection, astute buyers who have long sought after varieties will know which are the truly rare gems among the great die states and die pairings included in this vast collection.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceeding with a small crack in the central right obverse field, forming a triangle. The CA of AMERICA is weak due to the bulge forming at the Y of LIBERTY, bringing back memories of the famous Sheldon-1 AMERI Large Cent.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Joe Flynn ~~Earlier Phillip Showers~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-401
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 78

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. Plain edge. ~~6.13~~ grams. 94.60
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 20 JM
DESCRIP: This is the latest die state of this impressive group of 1797 Cohen-1 Half Cents. Excellent color and surfaces for the grade, and free of distracting corrosion or other problems. Medium to dark brown throughout. A single reverse rim mark, between the ribbon end and U, is the only ~~mark~~ blemish worthy of mention, while the balance of the fields and devices reveal that this has been a cherished coin for many generations. Plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M> as the "Shattered obverse".
DIE_STATE: Struck from badly broken dies, the strike uneven with numerous areas of weakness. Remnants of a Talbot, Allum and Lee token are visible, mostly over AM on the reverse, as well as other areas of planchet flaking. RTY has vanished, as has ICA and a few leaves on the wreath; one can almost feel the broken dies straining to impress the planchet. We mention this to remind the collector of the great struggle unfolding while this coin was struck. Copper shortages, planchets from a variety of inconsistent sources and just when some planchets were ready, the dies cracked and swelled, creating hours of interest for collectors.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-402
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 79

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Good 4. Another. <BI>Double struck.<B> Plain edge. ~~6.~~10 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 20 net A 94.14
DESCRIP: Rough from long exposure to moisture, and now moderately porous. One of the early states of this die pairing, before the crack appears through B on the obverse. First struck about 40% off center, toward 8 o'clock, then restruck again, about 5% off center. It is interesting to see the outline of the bust through the date, dentils from rim to rim via Liberty's face, and the ME of AMERICA located mid wreath below OF. While not the most magnificent coin in this collection, it is one of those important pieces which so clearly exhibit the struggles of the early days of the Philadelphia Mint.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Chuck Furjanic
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-403
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 80

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85.18

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1797
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fair 2. Another. Plain edge. Fair 2.
GRADE_QUAL:	FR
GRADE_NO:	2
DESCRIP:	Struck a bit off center, with minor scratches through the central obverse, otherwise clean for the grade.
DIE_STATE:	
PEDIGREE:	
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-404
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 82

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. Long dentils, lump midway before neck; 5 berries on left branch, outer leaf below E3 points to M. Plain edge. 5.72 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 ~~35 35~~ 40 not 35
DESCRIP: Moderately dark milk chocolate on the obverse, with a splash ~~of gold~~ lighter brown above the pole, while the reverse is a dark brown, with a darker area on the upper left. Some very light porosity is visible, mostly with a glass, on the obverse. Splendid fields and devices, all of which are nearly free of marks or abrasions. Clearly struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee token, with undertype visible on either side. In Roger's extensive notes, this coin was rated as the 10th best in his Condition Census. Plated in the second edition of his book as "Talbot, Allum & Lee Planchet", obverse only.
DIE_STATE: The reverse crack from the rim below the fraction to the tops of UN is clear, as on all known examples of this variety
PEDIGREE: Purchased from R. Tettenhorst
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-407
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

W.R. Weber ex Mount Sale, 59 lot

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 83

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.85~~ 87.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Enticing color, surfaces and strike. Here is a beauty that would grace any collection. For rarely are Half Cents found free of problems and with such glossy surfaces. Identifiable by a tiny nick in the mid left obverse field and a minute scratch from the rim to T2. If you missed the prior example, then here is a second opportunity to purchase a charming example of this variety.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die crack is sharp from below the fraction to the rim above I1.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from W.K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-408
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 84

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another. Plain edge. ~~4.50~~ grams. 6.44
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color on the obverse, a bit lighter on the reverse. One small rim clip is located along the right obverse rim, as well as minor planchet marks at the central obverse and reverse from the heavy mint planchet rollers. Often, these roller marks are flattened during the striking process, but on this example, they are visible. Still and all, a beautiful coin.
DIE_STATE: Usual light reverse crack.
PEDIGREE: From the Loye Lauder collection
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-406
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Dec 83 Lot 247

Lauder Sale, '84

From Charles Steigerwalt's FPL of 1911, Ben Doyle Galleries "Lauder Sale, Dec 83, Lot 247 via Ron Guth

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 85

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. ~~Very Good 8~~. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.75~~ 88.73 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8 12 net 6
DESCRIP: Nearly black in color on the obverse while the reverse has a definite green to dark brown patina from corrosion. Minor spots before Liberty's face and a rather noticable planchet clip is located behind and below the cap. Additionally, struck off center toward the Y of LIBERTY, but all the dentils are still visible on the obverse.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, February 1972, Lot 194
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-409
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Shrunkness of Rim but a ~~[illegible]~~ value of Good 6.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 86

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. <BI>~~Double~~ Triple Struck. <B>Plain edge. ~~5.92~~ 91.3f grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Gold highlights against the dark tan color that gives copper coinage so much character. Wonderfully double struck with a complete outline of Liberty's face just to the right of the second strike. Alluring surfaces that boast no significant marks, only a tiny nick above Liberty needed to identify this unique coin. And it follows that the reverse also has strong evidence of the double striking, in fact there appears to be a third N of UNITED above the final strike, making this coin <MI>Triple Struck!<M>, but with only a hint of two of the original strike. Almost impossible to replace once sold, a coin of this caliber rarely is encountered and should provide hours of enjoyment to the lucky collector whose hand remains held high at ~~the close of the bidding~~.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-410
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 86

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. <BI>~~Double~~ Triple Struck. <B>Plain edge. ~~5.92~~ 91.36 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Gold highlights against the dark tan color that gives copper coinage so much character. Wonderfully double struck with a complete outline of Liberty's face just to the right of the second strike. Alluring surfaces that boast no significant marks, only a tiny nick above Liberty needed to identify this unique coin. And it follows that the reverse also has strong evidence of the double striking, in fact there appears to be a third N of UNITED above the final strike, making this coin <MI>Triple Struck!<M>, but with only a hint of two of the original strike. Almost impossible to replace once sold, a coin of this caliber rarely is encountered and should provide hours of enjoyment to the lucky collector whose hand remains held high at the close of the bidding.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-410
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 87

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another. <BI>Double Struck!<B>
Plain edge. ~~5.36~~ grams. 82.72
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5 Ex et A
DESCRIP: Yet another <MI>Double Struck<M> example! Medium tan color on either side, but with minor pitting on the right obverse and scattered about the reverse. First struck off center to the right, the coin was restruck on center, but LIB LIB remains clear above Liberty. Similarly, the reverse has areas which clearly show the doubling on certain letters and the wreath. What an opportunity to choose from multiply struck Half Cents!
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Bob Shalowitz
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-411
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 88

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.66~~ 87.35 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 OS/R3
DESCRIP: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee token, with the prior lettering clearly visible on either side. A series of file marks are located on the right reverse rim, otherwise choice tan and pleasing.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-412
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~90~~ 89

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: GRACEFUL 1797 COHEN-3 "LOW HEAD"
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. ~~Another~~. Plain edge. ~~5.48~~ 84.57 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 35 net 30
DESCRIP: As the admirer of Half Cents knows, rarely is ~~one~~ this variety encountered in high grade and nearly free of problems. Here is one of those. Attractive reddish tan color and boldly impressed throughout. Three small toning spots are visible, one just right of the date, another above the cap and the last above the D. Rated in Roger's Condition Census as number 3 of the top dozen known for the variety, and this coin is plated, obverse and reverse, in the second edition of Roger's book.
DIE_STATE: The obverse crack from the chin to the rim is clear, as is the reverse crack from the rim through E1 to below H.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Chuck Furjanic
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-414
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Low head, pointed tail on 9, Fourth berries on left branch, leaf points to E3.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~89~~ 90

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Another ~~Low head, pointed tail on 9, four berries left branch, leaf points to B3.~~ Plain edge. 97.96 ~~6.35~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 35 not 15
DESCRIP: Choice tan color with darker brown highlights near the devices. Details of a higher grade, but lightly and evenly porous producing a matte finish. Struck a bit off-center toward the date. This example began as an off-center Large Cent, with dentils visible from Liberty's chin to neck, and the letters ST are clearly visible at the central reverse, other letters very weak. Roger Cohen's notes place this coin as the 10th best in his Condition Census, and certainly one of the best to show the Large Cent undertype so clearly.
DIE_STATE: Middle die state with the obverse crack from the chin to the rim light, but visible underneath the porosity.
PEDIGREE: Purchased ~~from Jack Beymer, earlier Hugh Campbell~~ Hugh Campbell, Jack Beymer
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-415
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 91

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.55~~ 85.65 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 3
DESCRIP: Struck off center to the left on the obverse and cleaned to a brassy tan ~~color.~~ One pit above Liberty's ear, an edge bump over the M and a long shallow scrape down from the rim through E2 to the L of HALF are the most noticable problems. Unusual ~~for its~~ off center strike.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-413
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 92

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3. Fair 2. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.19~~ 80.09 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: FR
GRADE_NO: 2
DESCRIP: Well centered and struck, but battered from hard circulation and several marks are visible. ~~This coin was examined by Mike Packard and is believed to be one of the extremely rare "Gripped Edge" examples, but the condition of edge makes it difficult to determine and prospective buyers will want to examine the edge carefully to decide for themselves.~~ Porous, dark fields with lighter devices.
DIE_STATE: Why ~~the edge~~ was gripped on certain examples of this die pairing remains a mystery, perhaps one of the engravers was experimenting, or possibly a new type of collar was employed. Whatever the case, only a handful are known today.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-416
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 93

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity 4. Fine 12. Another. Lettered edge. ~~5.07~~ 78.24 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 15 Bnet B
DESCRIP: Once again, the Mint impressed the edge with "TWO HUNDRED FOR A DOLLAR" A light scratch is located on the bust, another past the F and a small rim bruise above that letter. Lightly porous with dark brown color.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with only the reverse crack.
PEDIGREE: Ex Del Bland
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-417
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~96~~ 99

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: HALF CENT ON A LARGE CENT
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. <BI>Struck over a double struck Large Cent!<B> Lettered edge. ~~5.83~~ grams. 87.97
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 3
DESCRIP: Unmistakably struck on a spoiled Large Cent that was itself double struck. In fact, the obverse of this Half Cent shows clearly the ribbon from the obverse of the Large Cent, located just left of the date. On the reverse, ATE is boldly struck at the upper left and, along the right rim, STATE is again visible above OF AMER. Extraordinary to say the least. Golden tan color from an old cleaning and with patches of porosity, mostly on the obverse. Minor file marks along the rim, perhaps occurring during its many trips through the coining process or applied later by less natural causes. These minor imperfections pale when the significance of this coin is considered. For only those with great patience ever have an opportunity to purchase such a coin. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the reverse of the "Large Cent Planchet". Indesputably rare and certain to command attention in any collection.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Robert Batchelder.
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-418
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~94~~ 95

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity 4. About Good 3. Another. Lettered edge. 84.10 ~~5.45~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE_NO: 3 06/23
DESCRIP: Struck a whisper off center, enough to weaken the reverse unevenly dentils which allowed the devices to wear down ~~prematurely.~~ Minor porosity throughout, and still acceptable for this scarce sub variety.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-420
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~95~~ 96

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity 4. Fair 2. Another. Lettered edge. ~~5.93~~ 91.51 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: FR
GRADE_NO: 2
DESCRIP: Heavily porous but identifiable, with most of the obverse devices clear, the reverse weaker.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-419
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 97

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: RARE "GRIPPED EDGE" 1797 COHEN-3C
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 7. Very Good 10. Another. Gripped edge. ~~4.82~~ 7.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 and 6
DESCRIP: Along the entire ~~rim~~ edge of the coin is a series of small marks, similar to reeding on precious metal coinage, but further apart. Obviously the Mint was experimenting with either a new collar or with upsetting the rim before striking the planchets. Similar to the 1797 Large Cent with a "Gripped Edge". Apparently, the experiment failed, or was deemed unnecessary, as this curious rim disappears after this variety was struck. Medium brown devices with darker fields, a few trivial scratches and a pit above the T in CENT. Struck off center toward the date, weakening many, and eliminating some, of the dentils. One of the Finest Known of the handful of "Gripped Edge" Half Cents found, and certain to be one of the prizes of this extensive offering.
DIE_STATE: Early die state.
PEDIGREE: Purchased with the collection of Ray D. Munde, earlier from Richard Picker.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-421
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 98

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND "GRIPPED EDGE"
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3c. Rarity 7. About Good 3. Another. <BI>Struck over a Large Cent<B>. Gripped edge. ~~4.84~~ 74.69 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE_NO: 3
DESCRIP: The fields are black to medium brown with lighter devices. Numerous shallow scratches are visible on the entire coin, especially on the obverse. Struck a bit off center toward 12 o'clock, and during its circulation, obtained a number of minor marks, nicks and even some porosity. Tied with others for the sixth best in the Condition Census. At the center of the reverse, the U of UNITED is clearly visible from the Large Cent, as is the O of ONE below the last S in STATES. Not only is this an extremely rare <MI>"Gripped Edge"<M>, but also is struck on a Large Cent, the most difficult planchet stock to find! An extraordinary example of this important sub_variety and we can not think of a more unusual combination of rarities, all in one coin!
DIE_STATE: Early die state before the cracks appeared.
~~PEDIGREE: Purchased from a Kagin Sale.~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-422
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

(of which perhaps three are known which show the large cent underlayer)

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 99

Left serif of T missing; pair of bars below L, one bar either side of 1

83.33

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: BEAUTIFUL 1800 HALF CENT
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. ~~Another~~. ~~5.40~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: A delightful example of the late die state, the obverse is a lustrous tan and steel color, while the ~~back~~ reverse is an even steel gray~~, color~~. Minor spotting on either side, one just above Liberty's ribbon, another tiny one at the top of the wreath. Also, a small area of black corrosion resides below F1 to the wreath, with another light area above HALF. The surfaces are immaculate, with no evidence of mishandling or abuse, making this an excellent coin for either the type or variety collector. Plated obverse and reverse in both editions of Roger's book.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with weak dentils.
PEDIGREE: Purchased with the collection of Ray D. Munde and earlier from Lester Merkin's Sale, September 1968, Lot 41
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-423
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 100

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. ~~Left serif of T missing; pair of berries below R, one berry either side of bow.~~ ~~5.66~~ grams. Brother 87.35
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 20 of 12
DESCRIP: Nice surfaces for the grade, although one small patch of red corrosion is located in the right obverse field, before Liberty's eye, and a shallow scratch extends from the back of Liberty's ribbon to the rim. Additionally, the reverse has some shallow rim marks, above T1, T3, between F and A, and another above R. Plated as the "Early State" obverse and reverse of Roger's second edition.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with clash marks from the LI of Liberty above NI on the reverse, and w/ bold dentilz on both sides
PEDIGREE: Purchased from R. R. Johnsen
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-426
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 101

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: DAZZLING MINT STATE 1800 HALF CENT
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Another. ~~5.09~~ 78.55 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60 55
DESCRIP: Choice tan surfaces that are nearly free of contact marks or other signs of contact. Struck from rusted dies with a halo of roughness about the periphery of the obverse and reverse. Identifiable by a tiny mark above F2 and a lump on the edge of the coin at 3 o'clock (apparently caused by a the collar during striking). Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the "Rusted State" and ~~in Breen's~~ Half Cent book as "State II". A dazzling Half Cent and one of the most beautiful of Roger's early Draped Bust Half Cents.
DIE_STATE: Struck from rusted dies, both obverse and reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Del Bland, earlier Hugh Campbell.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-424
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

This is the rare early die state with the well defined dentils on both sides, and no rim break over L I. Later, the obverse die was lapped to remove the rust.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 102

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another. ~~5.44~~ 83.95 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55
DESCRIP: Beautiful tan and steel color with lustrous surfaces throughout. Tiny gold toning spots on either side, two on the obverse, and several small ones on the reverse. Roller marks on Liberty, as well as some faint circulation marks. Nearly Mint State, and worth careful evaluation.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with a die crack connecting the top of NI.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, December 1970, Lot 517
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-430
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 103

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another. ~~5.36~~ 82.72 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55 45
DESCRIP: Faded mint red color that produces a campfire glow in the fields from the remaining luster. Nicely centered on the obverse is a dark toning area, with a few minute spots on either side, which are about the only signs of age to note the passage of the last 192 years. A vivid coin that should please the most fastidious collector.
DIE_STATE: Struck from rusted dies and with weak dentils.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from the 1966 ANA Sale, Lot 1380
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-425
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 104

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. 5.42 grams. 3.64
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Nice for the grade, with medium brown color. The reverse was plated in the first edition of Roger's book as the reverse of 1802 Cohen-1.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-429
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 105

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: 1800 HALF CENT STRUCK OVER A 1798 LARGE CENT
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 7. Good 4. Another. Struck on a "spoiled" ~~1798~~ Large Cent. ~~5.11~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD ok 78,86
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Lightly cleaned long ago to a brassy brown, and should continue retoning to a natural brown. The fields are lightly porous with some trivial pitting in the field before Liberty's chin. As Roger Cohen predicted in his first edition, some 1800 Half Cents were struck on spoiled (off center) Large Cent planchets and this coin was found by him shortly after the initial publication of his book. The tops of 798 are sharp through RTY on the obverse, and the reverse has an indentation where the off center Large Cent was struck. Plated in Roger's second edition as the "Large Cent Planchet" and a coin which gave him great pleasure by fullfilling the prediction made in his first edition.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with rust and the bulge above NIT.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Coin Galleries mail bid sale, February 1977, Lot 449
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-427
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 106

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND EXAMPLE STRUCK OVER A LARGE CENT
DATE: 1800
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 7. Good 4. Another. Struck over a Large Cent. ~~5.06~~ 78.06 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 3
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color with several small marks visible on the obverse, which may have been caused by the host Large Cent. The ON of ONE CENT is sharply impressed where the fraction of the Half Cent ought to be, as well as a significant portion of the wreath to the left. One of only 8 currently ~~half a dozen or so~~ known to show the Large Cent undertype so clearly, and worthy of the finest collection. Another important opportunity!
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Possibly from K.P. Austin, although the source of this coin is not certain.~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-428
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 107

DENOM:
TYPE: FAMOUS
FEATURES: ~~EXTREMELY RARE~~ 1802, ~~2 OVER 0 COHEN-1~~ reversed of 1800 HALF CENT
DATE: 1802#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Good 6. Overdate; single leaves at top of wreath, berry either side of bow. ~~4.94~~ 7.623 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6 5
DESCRIP: Attractive medium brown ~~color~~ and choice surfaces for the grade. One tiny scrape in the field before Liberty's eye and a nick below the 80 of the date are the only marks worthy of note on the obverse; the reverse with a myriad of tiny circulation marks, two above the 00 of the fraction, another on the upper tip of the first S of STATES. Nearly impossible to find in any grade, the Finest Known must be stretched to reach Very Fine. In fact, this coin, in only Good condition, still resides in the Condition Census as the tenth best, ~~seen currently~~. One of the most sought-after varieties and needed by virtually every collector, this coin is expected to see furious bidding.
DIE_STATE: By 1801 the mint found itself in another production bind; all available Half Cent planchets were coined in late 1800, with more planchets expected from Boulton and Watt in England. However, none would arrive until late 1803 from this primary source of copper planchets. Nevertheless, orders for Half Cents continued to arrive, with no relief in sight from Boulton. Hence, the coiner began to accumulate spoiled Large Cents and clippings for coining into Half Cents. When a large number was available, a 2 was carefully punched over the final 0 of an existing unused die (the same 2 punch was used on Dimes and Quarter Eagle dies of 1802) and the old rusted and worn reverse die was once again pressed into service. Only a few were struck with this ~~combination~~, making one of the most difficult to find varieties of the entire Half Cent series.
die marriage
PEDIGREE: Purchased from W.K. Raymond, earlier Del Bland and Kenneth Satoris.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-431
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 108

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ATTRACTIVE 1802, 2 OVER 0 COHEN-2
DATE: 1802#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Overdate; two leaves at right top of wreath, no berry right of bow.
81.33 ~~5.27~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 ~~B~~ 20 not 12
DESCRIP: Attractive surfaces and dark brown color with lighter shades surrounding the devices. Glossy on either side. Details of a higher grade, but there are a number of minor circulation marks on the obverse including some long, but very shallow, marks above the ribbon and on Liberty's face and jaw. On balance, far better than these are usually found, and considered to be the fifth best in the Condition Census ~~for the variety.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state before the extensive rust appears along the periphery.
PEDIGREE: From New England Rare Coin Galleries, earlier Del Bland and Hugh Campbell
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-432
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

~~possibly~~ slightly heating the coin

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 109

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another. 78.24 ~~5.07~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 20 net 12
DESCRIP: Dark brown throughout and very pleasing. One hidden scratch is visible along the drapery lines to the right rim, as well as some others on and near Liberty. On the reverse, a single rim bump is located beneath the final 0 in the fraction. Plated in Roger's second edition as the "Rusted State".
DIE_STATE: Struck from very rusted dies that show numerous raised marks in the fields, mostly along the periphery of the obverse and reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Benjamin M. Douglas
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-433
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 110

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Fine 12. Another. 79.32 Undertype from the Large Cent visible on the obverse. ~~5.14~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 10
DESCRIP: Medium brown with red highlights on the obverse, even color on the reverse. Struck over a spoiled Large Cent (as were most 1802 Half Cents), but on this example, the CEN of CENT from the Large Cent is visible on and before Liberty's chin. Only a few examples show the undertype this clearly. If one must be picky, a few tiny spots are visible on the obverse, but these are the norm for 1802 Half Cents. An impressive example of this extremely difficult with undertype variety, and one that has resided with a number of very important Half Cent collectors during the past century<197>perhaps it will reside in your collection soon.
DIE_STATE: Early die state without the rust seen on later issues.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from our Ruby Sale, February 1974, Lot 217; earlier ~~F.R. Alvord (via~~ S.H. Chapman Sale, June 1924, Lot 76; Hillyer Ryder via Wayte Raymond's Auction, February 1947, Lot 48
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-434
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 111

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another. With the Large Cent undertype visible. ~~4.91~~ 75.77 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5 Brek 4
DESCRIP: Medium brown with rough surfaces. Struck over a cut down Large Cent with ES from STATES clearly visible on the obverse before Liberty's bust and neck; on the reverse a few lower drapery lines are impressed above ERI. Some minor circulation marks are present, but still pleasing for the grade. An important opportunity for the Half Cent collector.
DIE_STATE: Probably the ~~early~~ intermediate die state, although the condition makes it difficult to determine.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-436
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 112

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. ~~5.09~~ 78.55 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 ~~lowest S~~ VF net 4
DESCRIP: Struck on a poor planchet that has extensive roughness over most of the obverse, much cleaner on the reverse. Dark brown color with some minor marks on the ES and rim.
Stamped "higher grade"
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~From Stack's, February 1972~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-435
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 113

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 35. Close 03; fraction bar joined to right ribbon, lump at top of U. ~~5.59~~ grams. 86.26
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 45 net 30
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but some small circulation marks lower the net grade. A bit dull, but still quite nice for the variety. On the reverse, a small corrosion spot has taken up residence above the NT of CENT, as well as a few other scattered microscopic ones. Plated in both editions of Roger's book and difficult to find any better.
DIE_STATE: Early die state before the reverse crack develops.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-437
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 114

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~5.44~~ 83.75 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 30
DESCRIP: Medium brown with lighter fields near the devices, providing a halo effect. Smooth and glossy surfaces, free of most signs of handling except on the reverse where a drill mark is located on and near the 1 of the fraction. On balance, a beautiful coin that should attract well deserved attention.
DIE_STATE: An example of the intermediate reverse die state with the crack from T2 through the wreath, top of F2, out the rim via the left side of M.
PEDIGREE: Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Phillip Showers
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-438
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 115

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.~~39 grams. 83.8
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Nice medium brown color with darker outlines near the devices and smooth, glossy surfaces. A small rim bump is located between RT on the obverse, while the reverse has a number of tiny marks, mostly at the center and left side. These marks are trivial in nature and not distracting.
DIE_STATE: Late reverse die state with the primary crack now branching through the L of HALF, down through EN of CENT and out the rim via the N of UNITED.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-439
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 116

Extremely Fine 45 where struck so, but very weakly struck meriting a value of

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine or so. Another. <BI>Bluntly struck on an underwieght planchet<B>. ~~4.62~~ 71.30 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Details, where struck, of Extremely Fine, but very weakly struck on the upper obverse and lower reverse. As the planchet is underweight, by about 20%, the collar or coining press did not allow this planchet to be fully struck. Little hair detail is present and only the bottoms of RTY are visible of LIBERTY. While the reverse is weak on UN, CA, fraction and lower portion of the wreath. Free of circulation defects, but an obverse spot is located behind the ribbon as well as one on the reverse below E4.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the two cracks on the reverse with a new light crack above the M running along the tops of ER.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-440
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 117

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. <BI>Double struck on both sides.<B> ~~5.65~~ 87.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: ~~6~~ 7
DESCRIP: Struck a touch off center and dark brown restruck, with the dramatic doubling on all outer devices as seen on slightly shifted double struck coins. Lovely surfaces which are free of abrasions or other signs of contact and exhibit a choice dark brown color.
DIE_STATE: Intermediate die state with the single reverse die crack.
PEDIGREE: From the Ray D. Munde collection.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-441
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 118

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Fine 12. Another. ~~5.54~~ 85.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Choice tan color with minor verdigris touching the devices. A common coin, but this is one ~~of~~ of the ~~TWO~~ 6 with 6 late reverse die state examples.
DIE_STATE: Late reverse die state with cracks above ME, another along the tops of ITED.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from W.K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-442
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 119

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Very Fine 20. Close 03; T in CENT ~~has~~ with no left serif. ~~5.64~~ 87.04 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Well up in the Condition Census as the 6th best seen and certain to attract the attention of specialists as such. An absolutely gorgeous coin! Medium to dark chocolate brown color with unusually attractive surfaces. Only minute circulation marks can be found, as are a number of nearly invisible scratches on Liberty, all requiring a glass to see. Plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M>.
DIE_STATE: Early die state for the reverse, before the rim break above STAT, although light cracks are visible through most of the legend (except for STAT).
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-443
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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Tied with three others for fifth finest known.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 120

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~FINEST KNOWN~~ 1803 COHEN-2 WITH THE REVERSE RIM BREAK
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.59~~ grams. 86.26
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 15 nett (Steelbrow)
DESCRIP: Even, ~~dark milky~~ chocolate color throughout. One first notices a shallow planchet lamination from Liberty's forehead, just touching the serif of Y, to the rim. There is some shallow and really minor pitting on the jaw, neck and drapery. Otherwise, all is as it should be, charming color and surfaces, and a great rarity in any grade. In fact, this coin is the Finest Known with the reverse ~~die~~ ~~cud~~ and the third finest of the ~~entire~~ variety. The reverse is plated in the second edition of Roger's book. OK OK OK
DIE_STATE: Late reverse die state with the cud well developed over STAT, and struck before the die completely chipped away as seen by the definition at the base of the cud. Once the cud fully developed, no definition is apparent, only a large lump where the die has pulled away or fallen completely off.
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar, earlier Don Frederick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-444
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 121

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. 4.85 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: A second example with the reverse cud over STAT. Black to dark brown with moderate porosity on either side. One single mark in Liberty's hair, others not visible due to the porosity. Nonetheless, a very rare die state and variety that will be overshadowed by the prior coin in this sale, but not very desirable.
DIE_STATE: Identical to the preceeding example, the cud over STAT shows only a bit of definition from the higher rim to the field above the lettering, and this piece soon fell ~~from~~ the die or was pushed above any planchets struck much later.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-445
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 122

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Good 6. 03 wide; the "crosseyed zeros", 00 nearly touch, right serif at base of F2 missing. ~~5.38~~ 83.02 grams
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: One of the very few early die state examples seen, no trace of the bulge at 18, or any clash marks or file marks on the obverse or reverse. Dark brown with lighter devices. A single mark before Liberty's nose, otherwise very clean for the grade. The reverse die is rotated about 30<198> clockwise.
DIE_STATE: Perfect die coins such as this are ~~just about impossible to locate~~ rar in any grade.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-449
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 123

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK: 84,88
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.50~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 20 net 12
DESCRIP: Dark brown with clash marks under Liberty's chin and hair ribbons, and yet no bulge through the 18 of date or file marks under LIBERTY. One mark mid field before Liberty's chin, the reverse with several small pit marks; one above H, another between LF, and lastly below T4 acquired during its foray in circulation. Plated in Roger's first and second edition as the "First Use" for the variety.
DIE_STATE: Fully, early die state that shows ~~the~~ clash marks before ~~the~~ Liberty's throat, but before the die bulged and crack appeared on the rev.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-448
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 124

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CLASSICAL 1803 COHEN-3
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another. ~~5.64~~ 87.04 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55 55+
DESCRIP: Alluring color and surfaces that could easily be called Mint State, but we'll be conservative and keep it just out of that catagory. Medium brown to golden tan, and quite beautiful throughout. Rarely are Draped Bust Half Cents found with this much color and such pristine surfaces. Early enough reverse die state so most of the leaves show all their veins. Rated as the 7th best in Roger's Condition Census for the variety and plated in both editions of his book as the "Second Use" of this die pairing.
DIE_STATE: Die file marks, clash marks and bulged at the date, as are most of this variety.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased with the collection~~ of Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-446
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 125

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. ~~5.61~~ 86.57 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 AU
DESCRIP: Choice golden tan color, with lustrous surfaces. Weakly struck as the dies continued to break, mostly on the reverse below ATE and on Liberty's shoulder. Four tiny marks in the left obverse field and a few faint others scattered about. One of the really choice examples of this variety, and thought to be the 8th best in Roger's Condition Census for the variety.
DIE_STATE: The reverse crack extends from T3 to the rim over the M.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Jones~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-447
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 126

Sharpness of EF, but value of VF20

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1803
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine ~~35~~. Close 03; two berries below T2. ~~5.35~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL:	VF 82.56
GRADE_NO:	35 25 net 20
DESCRIP:	Dark brown with a number of lighter red spots on the obverse, perhaps from an old cleaning. Struck from a rotated reverse die, a full 180<198> as often seen on this elusive variety. One small mark at the base of Liberty's neck, otherwise superb. An excellent coin for the variety collector. Tied w/ 3 others for 4th Finest Known.
DIE_STATE:	Clash marks clearly visible on the reverse.
PEDIGREE:	Ex Stack's Sale, ~~February~~ March 1973, Lot 39
PHOTO:	Y
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-451
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 127

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.47~~ 84.41 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 15
DESCRIP: Mottled color varying from brown to tan and red atop glossy surfaces. The red spots on the obverse are patches of corrosion. A few minor circulation marks, but none of consequence. On balance, a beautiful coin and certain to please most collectors.
DIE_STATE: Usual clash marks on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-450
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 128

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.43~~ 8.780 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Pleasing milk chocolate color with a single mark through C2, otherwise free of annoying marks.
DIE_STATE: Lightly clashed reverse die.
PEDIGREE: From the collection of Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-455
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 129

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 7. Another. ~~5.57~~ 5.96 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Dark brown and pleasing for the grade. Struck with the reverse rotated 180<198>.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-454
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 130

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. <BI>Double Struck.<B> ~~5.38~~ 83.02 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8 7
DESCRIP: Smooth, medium brown surfaces ~~that are free of serious contact marks.~~ with contact marks consistent with the grade Double struck with the outline of Liberty's neck and chin above the 3 in the date to the base of her neck. There is no trace of the prior strike on the reverse.

DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-453
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 131

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. About Good 3. Another. <BI>Struck off center.<B> 4.76 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE_NO: 3 Poet3 73.46
DESCRIP: Struck about 10% off center toward Liberty's bust. The surfaces are moderately porous, but well struck and without other defects. One of the many strong points of this collection is the number of dramatic errors and unusual planchet Half Cents. Not since our Ruby Sale have a number of errors and irregular planchet Half Cents been available, and this sale will clearly be the high water mark to date for ~~of~~ these oddities.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-452
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

1974

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 132

the "cross-eyed year"

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. High crosslet 4 nearly touches bust; 00 nearly touch, right serif of F2 missing. 87.19 ~~5.65~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 35
DESCRIP: Attractive reddish brown color with red hints near the devices. Smooth surfaces, but not glossy, and very harmonious. One tiny speck between the mouth and rim as well as nearly invisible scrapes on either side, all microscopic in nature. ~~Close to~~ Fifth Finest Known in the Condition Census for the variety, and plated as "State I" in Walter Breen's Half Cent Encyclopedia. A stunning coin, indeed.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, but with the reverse crack visible.
PEDIGREE: Ex Bill Weber, earlier Hugh Campbell
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-456
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

that is possibly not original,

Possibly recolored

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 133

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1804
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another. ~~5.42~~ 83.64 grams.
GRADE_QUAL:	F
GRADE_NO:	15
DESCRIP:	Details of a higher grade, but burnished on ~~either~~ both side. Still a few scratches are visible, one long one in the left obverse field.
DIE_STATE:	Similar die state to the preceeding lot.
PEDIGREE:	From A-Mark Coins
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-457
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 134

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.51~~ 85.03 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 35 not 15
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but with several digs on the obverse and reverse, with scrapes before Liberty's eye. Nevertheless, the color is choice and ~~both~~ the reverse die cracks ~~are~~ is present.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From the collections of W.K. ~~Weber~~ Raymond, earlier ~~Bill~~ WR Weber and Paul Seitz
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-466
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 135

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. ~~Very~~ Good 6. Another. ~~5.35~~ 82.56 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 10/6
DESCRIP: Medium brown with some initials (ATC) in the right field and a spot on Liberty's shoulder. Other scratches in the left field and on the reverse take their toll, but this is still the uncommon ~~a rare~~ early die state with the reverse crack just beginning.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with only a portion of the reverse crack visible.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-458
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 136

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another. ~~5.32~~ 82.10 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown, nearly black in color, with light porosity throughout. Plated in the Roger's first edition as the obverse for the Cohen-3 variety of this year.
DIE_STATE: Early die state of the reverse. Frank & Wilkinson has never seen one of
PEDIGREE: these early rev. dies rising ~~reading~~ above VG.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-464
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 137

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 6. Another. ~~5.26~~ 8.17 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6 ?
DESCRIP: Attractive medium brown color with a faint scratch in the right obverse field and a small mark behind Liberty's lower curls, also in the field. No die sinking is visible and the crack is present, but weak. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book as the "First Use".
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-465
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 138

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. ~~Fine~~ VG 10 ~~12~~. Another. ~~5.80~~ 89.51 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F.0
GRADE_NO: ~~12~~ 40 net 10
DESCRIP: Attractive golden tan in color and recovering from an ancient cleaning. However, there are a number of small pits and scrapes on the obverse and a rim mark above the E, the reverse is more pleasing. Sharp detail on Liberty and the reverse remain.
DIE_STATE: The reverse crack is present, but weak to the right of F2.
PEDIGREE: Purchased at the 1971 ANA Convention
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-459
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 139

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.71~~ 8.12 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 Snd7
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields coupled with lighter devices produce a natural aura. However, there are a number of faint scratches across Liberty's curls.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die is beginning to fail, with sinking on the ES, weakening these letters and surrounding devices. The obverse crack through the tops of IBERTY is visible.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-460
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 140

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 7. Another. ~~5.30~~ 81.79 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Dark milk chocolate color with two visible, although small, spots. One of these is located just before Liberty's forehead, the other on the reverse below E1. Fewer handling marks than one would expect for the grade and a scarce issue to find.
DIE_STATE: The obverse crack is just starting through the tops of IBERTY while the reverse break is strong from TE through F2.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-461
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 141

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~5.65~~ 87.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 35 net 25
DESCRIP: Details of Extremely Fine but Liberty was scraped on her lower neck and shoulder, ~~These scrapes are visible,~~ but completely toned over and don't detract as much as one would expect. The reverse die has really deteriorated and shows massive sinking through the ES and tops of the wreath. Extremely rare in this grade and collectors would do well to purchase such a difficult coin in this grade whenever one is discovered. Plated in the second edition of Roger's work as the "Second Use" and one of the most beautiful examples of this die pairing in this extensive run of multiple die states.
DIE_STATE: By the time this example was coined, the reverse die had one foot out the door on the way to the scrap heap. Extensive sinking weakens every detail above and to the right of the crack. A secondary crack impales A2 from the wreath and joins the primary crack in F2 at the center of the reverse. As Roger details in his second edition, this reverse has been paired with three separate obverse dies, two of them at least twice, making for five discernable issues. What's more, after a number of 1804 Cohen-1's were struck (first use<197>no reverse crack), the mint coined additional 1803 Cohen-3's (second use<197>with the reverse crack)! The reverse crack clearly shows that little attention was paid to the date on the obverse die, and many examples of post dated issues have been found in virtually every denomination of United States coinage, much to the delight of numismatic scholars.
PEDIGREE: From the collection of Ray D. Munde, earlier Jon Hansen, Walter Breen and the Brobston Collection
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-462
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 142

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. ~~5.74~~ 83.58 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Brown ~~in color~~ with hints of blue from an old cleaning, now fully retoned. A rim mark is located at 3 o'clock on the obverse and normal handling marks are visible, as expected for this grade. This is the plate coin for the first edition of Roger's book as the "Second Use".
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the obverse crack visible through the tops of IBERTY and both reverse cracks are present. ~~Ex~~ S2 is now gone as is most of E2.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-463
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 143

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE DISCOVERY 1804 COHEN-2 RARITY
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity ~~7~~ 6. About Good 3. Low crosslet 4; 00 nearly touch, right foot of F2 missing. ~~4.76~~ 73.46 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE_NO: 3 8/3
DESCRIP: Dark tan ~~color~~ with some darker brown hugging the devices. The surfaces have a number of problems, first the entire obverse has been scratched with fine marks and buffed, the reverse is also scratched and has rough areas on the left side, which obliterate much of ITED ST. But these problems fade when one considers the great rarity of this issue. For only ~~eleven~~ thirteen are currently known, this being the ~~eighth~~ ninth best ~~to~~ represent the die pairing. Plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M> and one of the most desirable rarities in the Half Cent series.
DIE_STATE: Early die state without the rim break over ERTY on the obverse, and only the beginnings of the long die crack from the 4 to bust, although the condition makes the state of this crack uncertain. Mike Packard carefully examined this coin and noted that there is a low area above ERTY where the cud eventually forms, which he believes was caused when the sliver of the obverse die (as the cud was forming) was actually <BI>lower<B>than the striking surface of the die. This broken piece would have soon fallen from the die, creating the famous ERTY cud seen on the next ~~two examples~~ Half of this great rarity. Mike knows of only five ~~examples of~~ Cents "retained cuds" in the entire ~~Half Cent~~ series: one on the ~~the~~ reverse of 1803 Cohen-2, another on the obverse of 1804 exhibiting Cohen-9 and two examples on the obverse of 1808 Cohen-2. Interested collectors should examine this coin for only once in a great while are <MI>any<M> (much less 3!) examples of this variety available.
PEDIGREE: From the collections of Ray D. Munde, Jon Hansen, W.K. Raymond, Jon Hansen and Hazelcorn, Howard
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-467
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

the "cross-eyed zero"

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 144

DENOM:
TYPE: ~~Hard~~
FEATURES: FINEST KNOWN 1804 COHEN-2 WITH THE OBVERSE RIM BREAK
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity ~~7~~ 6. Very Good 8. Another. <BI>Heavy obverse rim break over ERTY<B>. ~~5.40~~ 8.3.33 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8 6
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields with the devices just a bit lighter, producing a handsome look on this great rarity. Even the casual observer can understand why this is such a rare variety; for the obverse die cracked severely in two places, the first crack appears at the crosslet of the 4, it extends to Liberty's drapery folds where it branches, one to the rim, the other up into the field, parallel to the rim, and out on the rim just across from Liberty's eye. The second crack appears above ERTY, and quickly becomes a heavy cud over these letters. Wonderful color and surfaces, although a tiny spot of corrosion is located in the field before Liberty's eye, another patch on the lower reverse near the fraction, and one rim mark is visible above the M on the reverse. Weakly struck on the 18 of date and ED ST on the reverse. These little problems do not detract from this extremely rare coin and are enumerated more as identification for future reference than to detail faults. For this is the <MI>Finest Known<M> example with the obverse rim break, ~~and~~ the obverse is plated in Roger's second edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M>. Certainly a premier rarity in the series ~~and one of only two regular issue die pairings to earn the Rarity 7 rating.~~

attractive

DIE_STATE: Heavy rim cud over ERTY on the obverse, the tops of the letters missing. The long obverse crack from the 4 to below the Y is visible too.
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: ~~Y~~
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-468
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

and the 3rd Finest known overall.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 145

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: UNPRECEDENTED THIRD 1804 COHEN-2
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 6. Good 6. Another. Rim break over ERTY. ~~5.19~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD 80.09
GRADE_NO: 6 ~~8~~ 8 net S
DESCRIP: Charming medium brown with a darker area behind average Liberty on the obverse, evenly toned on the reverse. ~~choice~~ surfaces that exhibit only a few tiny pits below and left of the ribbon, while the reverse has some hidden marks; one left of H, another between the upper wreath leaves and a final pit below F2.9 Minutely porous on the reverse. Nevertheless, this is another excellent example of this great rarity and rated in Roger's notes as the 5th best in ~~his~~ Condition Census of the 13 ~~11~~ known. A coin for the connoisseur that has waited too long to find one unattributed.
DIE_STATE: Latest die state of the three offered, the obverse die crack is visible from the 4 up to the rim before Liberty's eye. Also, the die cud is fully rounded, and likely that portion of the die had completely broken away.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ed Antz
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-469
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Bent?

The obverse appears bulged in the cuts behind Liberty's drapery, but this is caused by ~~the~~ sharp dent left of H on the reverse which slightly bent the co

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 146

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: NOTE FOR FRANK: PLACE AT END OF 1804 COHEN-2
DATE: ~~1802T80Y~~
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: NOTE: The ~~coins~~ Variety originally listed in Roger's ~~first~~ 1971 edition of <BI>American Half Cents<B> as 1804 Cohen-3 ~~were~~ was delisted in his ~~second~~ 1982 edition. The reason for this confusion was that early in the striking of 1804 Cohen-5, the obverse die was damaged, producing the "Spiked Chin" obverse. In Roger's first edition, this early ~~striking~~ was given a separate variety number, as Cohen-3. It is now known that ~~it~~ this is only an early die state of the pair of dies used to produce Cohen-5 and therefore should not be a separate variety, but merely an ~~early die state~~ or "First Use" of the Cohen-5 die pairing.

striking die state

undamaged die state

GRADE_QUAL:
GRADE_NO:
DESCRIP:
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-000
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 147

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 5. Very Good 8. Low crosslet 4; 1 in fraction equally spaced between knot and fraction bar. 5.50 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 8 12 not 6
DESCRIP: Mottled black and brown surfaces that show light porosity and roughness. A glass reveals scattered marks on the obverse, mostly in the field before Liberty's face with the most noticable being a pit near the rim opposite the tip of her nose, which identifies this as the Gilbert plate coin. On the reverse is a single rim mark above the right side of U and a pit below A3. An excellent example of a very rare coin and one with a particularly good list of prior owners. Plated, obverse only, in Gilbert3
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the reverse cracks weak or ~~invisible~~ not yet developed.
PEDIGREE: From the collections of William R. Weber, R. Tettenhorst, Philip M. Showers, ~~Colonel Green~~ and Commodore W. C. Eaton
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-472
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 148

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 5. Very Good 7. Another. ~~5.31~~ 8.94 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 ~~4.25~~ net 8
DESCRIP: ~~A second~~ example of this rare die pairing. Free of other significant contact marks, this rarity should bring a strong price in spite of its slightly rough fields. The surfaces are dark, with the oft-seen light porosity and resulting dullness on either side. Such is the fate of copper, for over long periods of time nearly all copper coinage becomes exposed to the elements and the inevitable porosity appears. One glance at a tray full of ancient bronze coins tells the story, for nearly all are green or dark with porosity, as patina from exposure to moisture or a damp climate quickly changes the surfaces from smooth to rough and pitted. ok
DIE_STATE: It is difficult to discern the die state as the porosity hides the extent of the cracks. The reverse crack from the 2 through the UN is visible, but very weak as are the cracks above A1 and F1.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-471
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 149

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: Low crossbar 4 / in fraction equally spaced between knot and first tongue
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 5. Fine 12. ~~Another:~~ ~~5.38~~ 83.02 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: A wonderful example that boasts light brown toning on glossy surfaces. One tiny spot resides left of the L as well as a faint scratch below Liberty's ribbon. Aside from these, the reverse has a minute scrape between ES and another on and above the ribbon bow. Rated in Roger Cohen's Condition Census as the 10th best for the variety and worthy of the finest collection. In fact, one would be hard put to find a better example, the few better ones appear locked up in famous collections for the time being. Rated as the Tenth best in the CC. At best, it is nearly impossible to find any pleasing examples, for any Half Cent in this grade has its own peculiarities acquired from circulation. We must keep in mind that these coins have not always been cherished reminders of our past, and therefore carefully handled by experienced numismatists: they were jostled about in coin purses by galloping riders, flung down on the bar at local ale houses, and even worse, often became lost and trampled in dusty streets. Hence the number of battered coins we see today. Collectors should really appreciate a coin like the one offered here, for it has smooth, clean surfaces without the problems seen on so many other "Little Half Sisters". Plated in Walter Breen's Half Cent Encyclopedia as "State IV". For this rare coin
DIE_STATE: Although the die state of the ~~previous~~ next two examples was difficult to determine, the surfaces of this coin are smooth and the grade is high enough to allow the cracks to be seen. One crack extends from the 2 to the U of UNITED, another from the rim to A1 and the last from the rim to the top of the F. The obverse crack from the crosslet of the 4 to the drapery is not yet visible.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-470
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 150

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: AN IMPRESSIVE ARRAY OF 1804 COHEN-5 HALF CENTS
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Good 10. High crosslet 4 nearly touching bust, nearly all are spiked chin; 1 in fraction equally spaced between bow and fraction bar. ~~5.31~~ grams. 81.94
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Medium brown and quite pleasing for the grade. Identifiable by a small rim bruise over RT and a small mark under C2. One of the scarce early die states, with the spike, but before the bulge. Plated in Roger's second edition as "Obverse No Bulge".
DIE_STATE: One of the most curious die pairings in the entire series, a handful were struck before the famous "Spike" appears, then BANG, ~~something~~ falls ~~into~~ the die, damaging the obv. die and creating the spiked chin. ~~Later~~ a bulge develops beneath the Y in the field and the reverse die cracks in several places. This particular example has no trace of the bulge and shows the famous spike and protruding tongue.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR: apparently a screw
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-473
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 151

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. ~~5.26~~ 8.17 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Free of handling marks, but there is some red corrosion on Liberty, the fields and also on the reverse.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with no trace of the bulge, but after the spike appears
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-477
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 152

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. ~~5.47~~ 8.41 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Pleasant color on either side, but numerous tiny handling marks are visible throughout. Perhaps used to "sweat" silver or gold coins of the period. Throughout history, opportunists have played cat and mouse with precious metal coinage. A mint would produce a silver coin with a plain edge, a "shaver" would then shave the edge a bit, keeping the silver shavings, and spending the now slightly debased coin. Coiners would add reeding or lettering to the edge, exposing any shavers efforts. The shavers would then place a number of coins in a sack, perhaps along with a copper Half Cent like this one, and would shake vigorously, knocking off bits of precious metal which could then be collected from the bag while the battered coins could be spent, again at full value. The bits of metal could then be removed from the bag and sold. Today, the coiners have the upper hand, for all precious metal has been removed from coins, making such practices unprofitable.

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DIE_STATE: Early die state with the spike, but no trace of the bulge.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-476
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 153

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Good 7. Another. ~~5.36~~ 82.72 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 20 wet 8
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate with lighter obverse devices, evenly colored on the reverse. A small mark above Liberty's jaw. However, the real problems are on the reverse, where a pair of large pits were partially scraped and buffed on F1. Still an interesting coin for the die state specialist and better than we make it sound.
DIE_STATE: Early state before the bulge and after the spike. A light crack extends through LIBERTY and beyond. The reverse is cracked through the base of most of the legend, and the bisecting crack is starting, visible from C1 to the L.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-474
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 154

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.47~~ 84.41 grams. and beaded, partial brown col.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Excellent surfaces that are free of significant defects. The only marks are a tiny one just above the drapery and a rim mark above ES on the reverse.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die is beginning to fall apart, the bisecting reverse crack is nearly complete, and bulges are forming at the bases of ES OF and another through the center of MER.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray Chatham, earlier Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-480
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 155

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: MAGNIFICENT 1804 COHEN-5
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK: 8.88
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. About Uncirculated 50. Another. ~~5.63~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 Ao
DESCRIP: Medium brown throughout and truly exceptional for this variety. Glossy with smooth surfaces. Nearly free of marks, with a couple of very small ones on Liberty's jaw and another pair in the field below. The reverse has a single depression below I2, just above the closest leaf. A stunning coin that jumps out at collectors for its wonderful color, resplendent surfaces and superb strike. Well up in Roger's Condition Census, this being the 6th Finest seen during his years of searching and note taking. Worthy of a runaway price.
DIE_STATE: A die state specialist's delight! The obverse has the familiar crack through the tops of LIBERTY and into the field past Y, also the strong bulge before Liberty's face and the impressive "Spiked Chin" with the wavy field before Liberty's neck and above her chest as well as the strong spike from her chin and another from her lips. On the reverse the viewer is greeted with the sharp bisecting break from A1 to C1, also the break through the bases of UNITED STATES OF AMERI and bulges on ES OF and MER. Another small break is visible above the F to the rim and likely connects with the faint break in the wreath below the O.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-475
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 156

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.52~~ 85.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color that is even on either side, with pleasing surfaces that are a bit dull. One tiny scratch resides just above Liberty's chest, on the reverse another is below NI and a tiny scrape below the center of M provide identification for future collectors. An excellent coin for the grade and certain to please the serious variety collector.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die has all the breaks of the previous coin, and a similar obverse state too.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-478
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 157

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.35~~ 82.56 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Dark glossy brown on the obverse while the reverse is more mottled between dark and medium brown. One small pit is visible at the base of the obverse bulge, before Liberty's spike. Excellent surfaces and most pleasing for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the preceeding two examples, bulges everywhere, breaks and a spike too.
PEDIGREE: Ex Don Frederick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-479
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 158

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A WONDERFUL ASSORTMENT OF 1804 COHEN-6 DIE STATES
DATE: 1804#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: This particular die pairing produced one of the most fascinating and studied deteriorations in all of American numismatics. The obverse die exhibits the popular "Spiked Chin" while the reverse die begins life in a perfect, early die state and proceeds to crack and chip along much of the legend, with so many different die states that a complete set may require the purchase of nearly every example of this Cohen-6 die pairing. Immerse yourself in this selection as a group of this magnitude has not been available since our Robinson Sale in 1989.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 70 slightly
DESCRIP:
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-XXX
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 159

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Spiked chin; berry close to F2, engraver's scratch from right stem end. ~~5.32~~ 82.10 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 20 ref 10
DESCRIP: Moderate porosity in the left obverse field and a few small marks on Liberty's neck and bust. Nice color and fields otherwise.
DIE_STATE: On the obverse, the "spiked chin" is strong and there is a bulge before Liberty's face. This feature is seen on all examples of this variety. A faint crack is just beginning over the right upright of the M and connects the top of ER. Lastly, there is a tiny die chip at the top left of N1.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-482
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 160

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Good 6. Another. ~~5.13~~ 7.17 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Medium to olive brown ~~in color~~ and with single scatch from the tip of Liberty's nose to the rim.
DIE_STATE: The reverse crack now extends along the tops of MERIC and another crack is visible at the tops of D STA. Also, the crack above U is starting.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-483
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 161

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.39~~ 83.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 7
DESCRIP: Medium brown with a number of small marks located at the central obverse.
DIE_STATE: In addition to the previous cracks, a crack extends from 20 in the denomination along the tops of UNITE, another from the rims through the tops of OF to above A2. Yet another crack has begun over the M.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-484
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 162

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. ~~5.23~~ 30.71 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 20 not 10
DESCRIP: There are two bumps on Liberty's cheek and other less important circulation marks on either side. Clean rims and nice color. ~~otherwise.~~
DIE_STATE: Very similar die state to the preceeding, with the crack over T2E2 light.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-481
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 163

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. Another. ~~5.72~~ 88.27 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 as
DESCRIP: On the obverse we find a beautiful olive color over tan while the reverse is just a shade darker, with mint color clinging to the devices. The surfaces are virtually free of circulation marks and this coin would certainly be the centerpiece of most collections of this important die progression and rated as the ~~sixth~~ 7th best in Roger's Condition Census for the variety. Furthermore, this coin is plated (reverse only) in his second edition for the "Early Die State".
DIE_STATE: As the reverse die continues to crack, the break above A2 is heavy along four dentils.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-485
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 164

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~5.39~~ 83.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 25
DESCRIP: Mottled with steel blue and olive green that usually are found after an old cleaning. A few spots are visible, one right of the date, another above I2 on the reverse. Well struck and centered. Identifiable by a tiny pit above the fraction, just below the center of the bow.
DIE_STATE: The crack above A2 is just starting to thicken, ~~above that letter.~~ Clash marks are visible. There is now a crack from the top right of I1 to the rim and only the crack extending from the right side of A1 is thick, not extending from the left side. Over the M we find 3 cracks now and the die is sinking over U. Lastly, the crack thickens between MER and halfway to the I.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-487
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 165

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.37~~ 82.87 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 12net 8
DESCRIP: Medium to dark chocolate brown ~~in color.~~ One rim mark below the 4, a couple of shallow pin scratches and another rim mark behind Liberty's ribbon are noted. The reverse has minor circulation marks, the worst on the upper leaf in the left branch.
DIE_STATE: The die continues to sink with each coin struck above the UN, the crack over A1 thickens ~~on either side~~ in both directions.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-486
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 166

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.48~~ 34.57 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Nice medium brown color and marred by a single rim bump above ER on the obverse. Great value for this important die marriage.
DIE_STATE: A bit later than the previous example, the break over I1 is ~~thick~~ growing wider as the is crack from the 2 to the rim.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-488
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 167

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~5.37~~ 82.87 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 20
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color with clash marks visible on the obverse. Free of all but the most trivial handling marks.
DIE_STATE: The crack over MERIC is very heavy.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-489
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 168

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.38~~ 83.02 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 15
DESCRIP: Mottled toning on either side, with most of the coin a medium tan, with pleasing, glossy surfaces. Usual handling for the grade, and one with no surprises.
DIE_STATE: The reverse has finally begun the long, slow process of sinking above AMERICA, the first step is the formation of the rim break above ME, which still shows detail from the dentils, the chip of the die still firmly attached, though much lower than intended.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR: unpleasant
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-490
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 169

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. Another. ~~5.55~~ 5.65 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 20
DESCRIP: Dark brown on the obverse, lighter on the reverse with some mottling. Lovely glossy surfaces on either side, free of significant abrasions. Plated in both editions of Roger's book, ~~on Half Cents~~ (reverse only) and important as such.
DIE_STATE: The chip continues to push away above ME, with about one-half of the dentils visible above E.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-491
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 170

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.35~~ 82.56 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Usual handling marks for the grade, ~~but~~ and with excellent color throughout. Well balanced.
DIE_STATE: The die chip has nearly lost all detail above ME, and the rim above the UN also shows a well developed cud. A second crack is located beneath the 20 in the fraction.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-493
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 171

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.53~~ 85.34 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 12
DESCRIP: Dark brown with a hint of roughness on either side, but not enough to really detract. One spot on the lower left reverse.
DIE_STATE: The large cud over MERIC has finally formed, greatly advancing the deterioration of this die. Above the UN, the die continues to sink.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-492
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 172

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Good 5. Another. ~~5.14~~ 79.32 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown with darker ~~portions~~ areas and numerous circulation marks on either side.
DIE_STATE: Similar to the last example, the reverse now has further sinking above the left side of N1.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-500
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 173

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. ~~5.65~~ 8.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Olive brown with a few light scratches on Liberty as well as on the central reverse with one red spot under E1.
DIE_STATE: The cud extends above MERIC and from the fraction to the tops of UN.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-494
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 174

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. ~~5.46~~ 8.26 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Medium brown with reddish orange hints, ~~possibly~~ probably cleaned as such. A couple of tiny silver specks are noted on the obverse. On the reverse, a number of dull marks and scrapes are visible with diligent searching, but not out of the ordinary for a coin of this grade.
DIE_STATE: The cud extends to the far edge of N, other cracks and breaks stable for the moment.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-495
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 175

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.76~~ 88.89 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 20 net 15
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but rough enough from circulation to drop it a few points. Dark brown and still better than most in this extensive offering, not only in grade, but in the surface catagory too.
DIE_STATE: There is now a triangular rim break beginning over A2, and the rim above I1 has started sinking.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-496
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 176

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. ~~5.36~~ 82.72 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Dark brown with reddish undertones. One finds the surfaces slightly rough, coupled with trivial pin marks, but still in the average catagory.
DIE_STATE: The reverse cud now covers I1, and the cud above M is starting to form.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-497
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 177

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another. ~~5.71~~ 8.8.12 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 40 net 75
DESCRIP: Here is an example with wonderful medium olive brown. One tiny spot below L, another above T1 on the reverse. A glass will find minute circulation marks, but none warrent attention.
DIE_STATE: Another step has been completed: the rim break now covers all of the M in addition to those letters mentioned previously in this progression series. As we stand now, the cud continues all along AMERICA, 200 UNI, with the exception of the second 0 in the fraction.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-498
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 178

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 4. Fine 15. Another. ~~5.37~~ 82,87 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Dark olive with a greenish-gold aura at the center of the obverse and throughout the reverse. A glass finds a number of minute scrapes at the central reverse, otherwise clean surfaces. Plated in both editions of Roger's book as "Late Die State". Collectors rarely have an opportunity to purchase <MI>any<M> plate coins from the important reference works, unless a major collection of one of the authors is available for auction. In this collection, a great number of plate coins are offered, many in moderate grades and affordable to nearly all collectors. What better way to memorialize your own collection than by including a few plate coins from this important set? It is very enjoyable to own such coins, not only for their pedigree, but to know that they were studied by the great authors in your series.
DIE_STATE: Same state as the preceeding coin.
PEDIGREE: ~~EX~~, Brobston ~~Collection~~ FPL, 1963.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: from Frazier
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-501
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 179

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.36~~ 82.72 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Dark brown with tan hints beneath. Normal handling marks for the grade.
DIE_STATE: The crack above OF ~~is~~ would have getting thick, and as repeated strikes continued, no doubt pounded this piece out of the die<197>unless it was replaced in the interim. This is the latest die state seen by most specialists of this extraordinary die progression
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-499
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 180

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: AN IMPRESSIVE RUN OF 1804 COHEN-7'S
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity ~~6~~ 4. Fine 12. Spiked chin; triple leaf beneath OF, left foot of T2 missing. ~~5.44~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 10
DESCRIP: Dark brown with lovely, glossy surfaces. One scratch runs diagonally from the center of Liberty's neck to the rim across from her nose. Another faint mark resides left of the date, otherwise average for the grade. Well struck and centered, perfect to represent this rare variety.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, the crack above LIBERTY and bulge before her face are visible on all examples of this pairing; the reverse has no trace of the crack over D STATES ~~and~~ or OF AMERICA.
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar, earlier Don Frederick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-502
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE: 87.95
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 181

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity ~~5~~ 4. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~5.65~~ 87.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 30 not 15
DESCRIP: Scattered marks are visible to the naked eye on the obverse, along with minor pin scratches in the left field. Nevertheless, the color is ~~great,~~ light tan, and when one considers the variety, and that this is ~~the 10th best one known in Roger's~~ near the Condition Census, then we feel it will be avidly sought by knowlegable numismatists. An extremely difficult coin to find any better, the few other high grade ones known are comfortably locked away in variety collections and will likely remain there for the foreseeable future.
DIE_STATE: A light die crack can be seen above OF A on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-503
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 182

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONDITION CENSUS EXAMPLE OF 1804 COHEN-7
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 4. Extremely Fine 40. Another. ~~5.33~~ 8.25 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 20
DESCRIP: Smooth and glossy with dark brown color on both sides. Nearly problem free, but identifiable by a small patch of roughness below Liberty's lowest curl, and a minute nick on her jaw. Plated obverse and reverse in Roger's first edition, and reverse only in the second edition. Rated in Roger's extensive notes as the 6th finest for the variety, and nearly unimprovable.
DIE_STATE: Intermediate reverse die state: a rim break over OF A and a crack continues over AMER where the cud ends. Another crack is visible above E1 to the top of D, and the final crack has started above TATES.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-504
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 183

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity ~~5~~ 4. Good 6. Another. ~~5.47~~ 84.41 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: G
GRADE_NO: 6 ~~5~~ 4
DESCRIP: Olive brown with glossy surfaces, and unusually clean for the grade. One single mark above A4. If you have given up looking for this variety, we suggest you purchase one of these for your collection. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the "Late Die State".
DIE_STATE: Later die state with the cud extending over OF AMERI.
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-505
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 184

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity ~~5~~ 4. Good 4. Another. ~~5.18~~ 79.94 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoning on the obverse, still an orange brown color on the reverse. Lightly porous on either side. Part of a star has been punched into the cud above E3 on the reverse, and a shallow scratch extends along D1.
DIE_STATE: Late reverse die state with the cud above OF AMERI.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-506
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 185

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1804
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-7. Rarity ~~5~~ 4. Good 6. Another. ~~5.17~~ 7.78 grams.
GRADE_QUAL:	G
GRADE_NO:	6 S
DESCRIP:	Medium to dark chocolate in color, with microscopically rough surfaces. One small pit is located below the post of E1, otherwise pretty clean.
DIE_STATE:	A bit later than the preceeding, with the die crack over TES heavier and with all previous cuds.
PEDIGREE:	Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-507
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 186

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: STUNNING 1804 COHEN-8 "SPIKED CHIN"
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another. ~~5.37~~ 8287 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55 50+
DESCRIP: A wonderful, high grade, high color coin that will impress even your non numismatic friends! Traces of mint red are visible about the tan devices. One minute patch of corrosion is visible above the upper ribbon, but does not measurably detract from this magnificent example. For this is one of the most beautiful coins in this sale. It has not passed without notice that all Draped Bust Half Cents are extremely scarce in or near Mint State. While scores of Large Cents are known in high grades, only a handful of Half Cents are found in such lofty condition. A coin for the discriminating numismatist.
DIE_STATE: The crack through the tops of LIBERTY is strong.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-508
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 187

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Fine 12. Spiked chin; A3 almost touches ribbon, usually crack R to rim. ~~5.41~~ 83.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 10
DESCRIP: Dark brown on either side, with smooth surfaces. A number of scattered circulation marks are visible, the worst just above the ribbon. This is the very rare early die state before the crack appears above the R.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, no crack above the R, as ever. ~~and very rare as such~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-509
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 188

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.57~~ 85.96 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 20
DESCRIP: Light brown with some bluish hints from ~~an ancient cleaning~~ having been cleaned and overly brushed. We must remember that most coins have been cleaned at one time or another and depending on the color and surfaces, this may or may not be easy to discern. Collectors would do well to educate themselves by viewing as many coins as possible in order to form their own opinion as to the past handling of each coin they would consider bidding on. Possibly double struck as there appears to be some extra dentils impressed on the rim across from Liberty's bust. A coin worth ~~study.~~ examining.
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with the crack above the R to rim.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-510
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 189

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Good 10. Another ~~5.16~~ 79.63 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 %
DESCRIP: Light to medium brown in color, and probably cleaned long ago, the evidence in the existing color moreso than the surfaces. Moderately rough and with light corrosion areas before Liberty's face and another near the wreath between D and S1. Free of significant marks or abrasions.
DIE_STATE: The rim break has begun to form over the L on the obverse, and it is interesting to watch as it develops over LIBE, starting at the left and slowly progressing across each letter.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-511
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 190

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Fine 12. Another. ~~5.39~~ 8.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Once again, the color is a medium to dark brown with hints of lighter orange beneath (usually indicating that it was cleaned in the distant past). Clean surfaces.
DIE_STATE: The rim break is forming over LI on this example.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-512
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 191

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Good 7. Another. ~~5.63~~ 86.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 8 not 6
DESCRIP: Scattered marks on either side, mostly on the reverse, which has a number of long scratches through the legends and in the center. On the obverse there is a patch of porosity behind the ribbon, right of the date and before Liberty's face.
DIE_STATE: The cud is no now developing over LIB, with enough definition in the cud to show that the chip had not yet separated from the die, but was simply pushed above the field of the rest of the coin.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-513
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 192

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Good 7. Another. ~~5.2~~0 grams. 80.25
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Nice 6 medium brown ~~colors~~ and/ with smooth surfaces. Normal circulation marks for the grade. An excellent example of this fairly late die state.
DIE_STATE: The cud over LIB is a bit stronger than the preceeding, but is not as advanced as the final state, where the chip has fallen from the die (or is so raised as to not touch the planchet ~~coin~~ during striking).
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-514
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 193

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another. ~~5.52~~ 85.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 30
DESCRIP: Lovely dark olive brown in color and with only a few trivial contact marks on Liberty (two in her hair, one just forward of where her earring ought to be). A beautiful coin with only a hint of definition in the cud above LIBE. The obverse is plated in second edition of Roger's book as the "Broken Obverse". One which any collector would be proud to own<197>and deservedly so! could
DIE_STATE: The rim break over LIBE just touches the upper left serif of R and shows only a touch of definition, which indicates that the chip had not yet fallen from the die.
PEDIGREE: Ex J.J. Teaparty
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-515
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 194

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity ~~1~~ 2. Extremely Fine 40. Large crosslet 4, which is leaning left and distant from 0; A3 almost touches ribbon, crack R to rim. ~~5.65~~ 87.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 35
DESCRIP: At first glance, a really beautiful coin with mottled dark color on the obverse. When a glass is used to view the surfaces, tiny corrosion pits become visible where the mottling is located. There is some active corrosion on and below the TY, more is found on the reverse under S1 and above F, but these are all small and don't detract a great deal. On balance, still an attractive coin that deserves consideration.
DIE_STATE: One light crack is visible through the centers of IBER and another at the top of RTY.
PEDIGREE: Ex Steve Ivy
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-516
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 195

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity ~~1~~ 2. Very Fine 20. Another. <BI>Triple Struck!<B> ~~5.52~~ 85.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 \S
DESCRIP: Sharply impressed, three times in fact, and an unusual mint error even in the Half Cent series. The coin is tan to olive in color with blue highlights on the obverse. First struck slightly off center, ~~the pressman~~ the coin was restruck ~~the coin~~ then on center the second time, and then, in an effort to strike out the initial error, restruck the coin a third time, slightly shifting it, so that some of the lettering is doubled. One must examine this coin carefully to unravel its striking secrets<197>for they are <MI>striking.<M> Evidence is clear on the obverse where the base of Liberty's ribbon is clearly doubled, and a faint outline of the ribbon is visible well above the later two strikes, and similarly on the reverse legend AMERICA. Of course collectors know how rare such errors are, for they are seldom available in any condition, much less in a nice grade like this example. So examine the strikings, the color and surfaces and prepare a liberal bid, for even then you may not capture this prize.
DIE_STATE: This appears to be a fairly early die state, although the multiple strikings make it difficult to determine.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-517
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 196

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity ~~1~~ 2. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~5.62~~ 86.73 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 25
DESCRIP: Smooth, glossy surfaces with very dark brown color. However, someone has carefully scratched corrosion spots from the obverse, one in the field below Y, others above and near the ribbon, one below Liberty's jaw and then buffed the coin lightly, but not enough to eliminate the scratches. The reverse has signs of similar monkey business, but they are harder to detect. One small patch of corrosion still resides above C1. A coin worth examining, for late die states are tough to find in any high grade.
DIE_STATE: The rim break has formed over RTY, a faint crack can be seen through the bases of 80, middle of 4 up toward the drapery.
PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-518
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 197

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity ~~1~~ V. Very Good 8. Another. ~~5.38~~ 8.02 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Dark brown with clean, but dull, surfaces. Free of all but trivial contact marks, and quite choice for the grade and a lovely example of the late die state.
DIE_STATE: Rim cud over RTY full. A crack through IBER, another through the 804 to bust into field and lastly a short crack from above the Y into the field along the rim.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-519
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 198

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1804
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-9. Rarity 1. Very Good 10. Another. ~~5.46~~ 84.26 grams.
GRADE_QUAL:	VG
GRADE_NO:	10
DESCRIP:	Dark brown with lighter devices. One ~~tiny~~ small rim ~~tap~~ mark above T1 serves to identify, otherwise free of relevant marks. A choice example of this wonderful late die state that all collectors can enjoy.
DIE_STATE:	Full rim cud over RTY, cracks through IBER, past Y, 804 to above bust and rim and the ever present crack above the post of R.
PEDIGREE:	Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Phillip Showers
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-520
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 199

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-~~9~~ 10. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Crosslet 4 high, nearly touching both bust and 0; A3 almost touches ribbon, always with crack R to rim. ~~2.60~~ 86.42 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: An exquisite coin! Choice golden tan with olive ~~coloring~~ on either side, with ample mint luster and nearly free of handling marks. One tiny scrape can be found hidden on Liberty's bust as well as two tiny obverse spots, but we are really being picky to even mention these. For this example is superb. As numerous Mint State examples are noted, the Condition Census for the variety is muddled, with this coin either in or just below the top ~~dozen~~ ten survivors. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book for the variety.
DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies with the wreath visible all around Liberty. Likewise, the outline of Liberty is visible around the leaves.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, Abe Kosoff, Del Bland, Jon Hanson, W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-521
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 200

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-10. Rarity 1. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~5.38~~ 83.02 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30 25 net 20
DESCRIP: Mottled tan and brown colors mostly on the obverse, while the reverse is more balanced. Struck from rusted dies, with roughness about the periphery of the obverse. One bump noted on Liberty's nose, but parallel to the outline and thereby hidden. A few other handling marks are there, but none distracting. Therefore, examination will reveal that this is a handsome coin, and worthy of a top-notch collection.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceeding, struck from rusted and worn dies, the break from the post of the R to the rim is strong.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-522
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 201

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-10. Rarity 1. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~5.54~~ 85.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Choice tan color on either side coupled with glossy surfaces. Examination reveals a couple of shallow pin scratches on the obverse, but a glass is needed to see them. One red corrosion spot is located below the L, another in the hair. A great coin to represent the early die state.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with no obverse clash marks or rust in evidence.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-523
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 202

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONDITION CENSUS EXAMPLE OF 1804 COHEN-11
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. Plain 4; two berries under T2, the wreath stems at different angles. ~~5.32~~ grams. 82.10
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 35
DESCRIP: Medium brown with a number of small dark spots about the obverse, larger ones on the reverse. Signs exist that the coin was carefully whizzed (buffed) long ago, but not enough to disturb the letters or other devices. Such processing is quite common on early coinage, often done to reduce corrosion or circulation marks and scratches. Luckily, this was done by an expert, and little evidence remains. All too often, whizzing damages the surfaces and reduces the grade substantially.
As we have stated, Roger Cohen kept notes on the condition of most varieties of Half Cents, and hoped to publish a Condition Census of the top dozen coins known to him. This particular coin was rated as the sixth best for the variety, in spite of its minor problems, and should therefore bring a healthy premium as reflected in <MI>Copper Quotes By Robinson<M>.
It has been our experience that scarce coins often languish on the sidelines when great collections are sold, being overshadowed by the great rarities offered. As collectors looking to upgrade, or to finally obtain high grade examples of rarities, be sure to prepare bids on several of the <MI>scarce<M> high grade coins offered, as well as the great rarities.
DIE_STATE: Particular to this reverse die is an area of sinking on the bow and CE of CENT. As more coins were struck, this area progressively weakens.
PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond and R. Tettenhorst
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-524
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 203

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Another. ~~5.62~~ 86.73 grams. and apparently auctioned
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35 25
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown on the obverse and reverse. One hidden scratch runs vertically through the hair, and a small pit is located just off Liberty's bust tip. Rated as the 12th best in Roger's Condition Census, and plated in the second edition of his book. Seldom available in this grade, and if you missed the last coin, then be sure to bid high for this one.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the reverse just starting to sink on the bow and numerator of the fraction.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber, Hugh Campbell, Joe Flynn
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-525
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 204

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. ~~5.13~~ 79.17 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Dark brown with lighter devices. Excellent surfaces for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Sinking on the reverse from C2 to the stem below.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-528
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 205

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another. ~~5.38~~ 83.02 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Dark steel color and well centered. Examination finds a couple of contact marks, the worst a shallow scratch from the lowest curl to rim.
DIE_STATE: Curiously, this reverse choose to fail by sinking, rather than cracking or forming cuds along the rim. Sinking usually occurs as more and more coins were struck, with weak areas of the die ~~being pushed~~ out of shape, or sinking, ~~thus making fully struck coins becomes~~ impossible. By the time this example rolled off the press, weakness extends from the CE to the numerator.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Fenn Sale, Lot 13, October 1976
PHOTO: Y
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EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-526
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RESERVE:

~~cracking cuds on~~

when a die wears, ~~it makes~~ it becomes impossible ~~to create~~

The sinking results from increasing concavity of the rev. die which results in the rev. of the coins being convex. No other Half Cent die bulges in quite this way, but it is similar to the Sheldon 15 Large Cents ~~also~~ in Pozici collection.

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 206

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. ~~5.31~~ 81.94 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Cleaned and recolored with orange tan highlights. A few small patches of corrosion and numerous circulation marks on the obverse, much nicer on the reverse.
DIE_STATE: Later die state, the sinking now involves the CEN, bow and the numerator.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
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EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-529
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RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 207

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. ~~5.24~~ 80.86 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: This example is a pleasing dark brown, with the usual circulation marks. A coin for the cultivated collector, for the reverse die has swollen throughout its center, weakening much of the detail. One trio of marks on H, serving to identify this one.
DIE_STATE: By the time this coin was struck, ALF, UN and the bow have sunk into oblivion. One can imagine the goings on at the mint on a late Saturday afternoon, the sun setting, your quotient of Half Cents nearly complete, and this reverse die develops the annoying habit of sinking a little bit more with every coin struck. No one notices as you strike off the last of the planchets, each coin showing less and less detail on the reverse. The strikings pass unnoticed. At last, the churchbell rings out, the reverse die is discarded and the boss says "see you Monday"...
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
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EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-527
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EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 208

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CHARMING 1804 ~~COHEN-12~~ crosslet 4, stemless IN MINT STATE
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-12. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Crosslet 4, nearly touching 0 and bust; no stems on wreath. ~~5.24~~ 80.86 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Here is a charming example of this common variety, ~~the~~ with nearly full artistic art color ~~is~~ of dark olive to steel, and abundant tiny spots give added character. Only a couple of the spots have evidence of corrosion, the worst (although tiny) between the ER on the obverse, and a red one located beneath the Y. Glossy with loads of mint color remaining, and were it not for the spots, this coin would be about as struck. A minor planchet flaw resides on the rim near the lowest curl, with its sister on the reverse at T2. For reasons lost, many 1804 Half Cents have rim flaws, perhaps caused by planchet cutters or some other process used in their production. Plated in Roger's first edition and still rated as the tenth best in his Condition Census.
DIE_STATE: Struck from worn dies, with the familiar "halo" around Liberty in the fields. Clash marks are visible below the ribbon.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, Jon Hanson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-530
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 209

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-12. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 45. Another. ~~5.55~~ 85.65 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45 40 net 35
DESCRIP: This example is dark tan with some golden highlights. Average surfaces, with circulation marks on either side under the scrutiny of a loop. Aside from these, a few spots are visible, but they are not deep or multicolored. Notwithstanding these ever present difficulties, here again is another excellent coin that would beautifully represent this variety in most any collection. Best of all it is plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents.<M>
DIE_STATE: This die pairing selected the quiet deterioration option over the catastrophic cracking and swelling that sends die state specialists into raptures. For here we see minor rusting with slight rim crumbling, which more often than not, is obscured by off-centering, above MERIC.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-531
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 210

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONDITION CENSUS 1804 COHEN-13
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. Plain 4; no stems of wreath. ~~5.69~~ 87.81 grams. on
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 63 60
DESCRIP: Here is one of the most enticing 1804 Half Cents we have seen. Golden tan throughout, with only a couple of trivial toning spots on the obverse to note the passage of time, one at the base of E, another below the bust and lastly below the date. Likewise, the reverse has some toning spots through the word STATES. Considering the number of high quality coins offered in this sale, the opportunity to select from <MI>several<M> superb Half Cents poses a problem most collectors have not witnessed: <MI>which coins to buy<M>. Having the winning bid on any of the high grade coins in this collection will make each collector a winner. The coin offered here is rated in Roger's notes as the ~~fifth~~ 6th finest he had seen, which is quite a statement for this common variety.
DIE_STATE: The dentils are sharp along the lower portion of the obverse, and right side to bottom of the reverse. There is no evidence of the die crack in the left obverse field, although this may be a result of striking, as all known examples have evidence of this light crack.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-533
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 211

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1804
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.43~~ 83.80 grams.
GRADE_QUAL:	VF
GRADE_NO:	20
DESCRIP:	Excellent color with some variety from tan to brown on either side. One surface scratch from Liberty's nose to jaw, another shallow line on her neck.
DIE_STATE:	Weakly struck on LI at the top, UNI on the reverse. Likely caused from ~~the~~ being struck trifle off-center ~~strike.~~
PEDIGREE:	
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-538
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 212

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Another. ~~5.52~~ 85.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60 50+
DESCRIP: This coin has a beautiful olive color that is mellowing to brown. In addition, the surfaces are very smooth and only a few tiny contact marks can be located. On the rims, several areas are uneven, perhaps caused by the collar or edge of the die, and these should be examined. As more and more coins were struck by this pair of dies, the dentils, rims and strike quality ~~of their protective rim~~. Plated in Roger's second edition and truly a wonderful collector coin and listed as the twelfth best in his Condition Census.
DIE_STATE: The obverse crack in the left field is clear, and only half of the dentils are visible on the reverse, these on the lower half.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-532
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

shows great variation

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 213

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. ~~5.15~~ 79.47 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 40
DESCRIP: Olive and steel on the obverse, with more olive on the reverse. Satisfying glossy luster throughout. This coin appears to have been struck without a collar, for the rims are wide and with little definition. However, this example has a series of small depressions from contact with a blunt instrument, one behind the ribbon end, another on Liberty's cheek, and several on the reverse near TES OF. Careful examination is required to find them and these marks are not readily apparent. Which is why we feel this is a very attractive Half Cent.
DIE_STATE: Late die state, the obverse crack is clear, the dentils nearly gone on both sides and with wide rims.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-535
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 214

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another. ~~5.53~~ 85.34 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 30
DESCRIP: Tawny highlights beneath tan color in the fields provide an excellent contrast for the devices. The obverse appears to have been buffed, resulting in a polishy look to the fields. Circulation marks are revealed with a glass, but none are heavy. A pleasant example of this common variety, ~~Half Cent.~~
DIE_STATE: Well struck with the usual rim variations and obverse crack in the left field.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-536
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 215

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONTROVERSIAL 1804 COHEN-13
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Fine 15. Another. ~~5.54~~ 85.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Medium brown color evenly distributed on either side. A few faint pin scratches are noted on the obverse, some of which form circles at the center.
DIE_STATE: This coin was the center of a bit of controversy between ~~Mr.~~ Roger Cohen and ~~Mr.~~ Walter Breen. Needless to say, these numismatists did not always see eye to eye when it came to emission sequences and die states. Here we have a coin that was struck from a late die state, this point is clear as the dentils are very weak and obverse die crack is present. In fact, this particular example is noted in Mr. Breen's book under Breen-10 as die state IV, wherein he notes rim breaks at ICA. Mr. Cohen felt that the weakness above the ICA was striking related and not a function of rim breaks. Whatever the truth is, here is the coin that began the controversy on this particular variety.
PEDIGREE: From our Ruby Sale, February 1974, Lot 237 (~~catalogued by Walter Breen~~); earlier C. French's, May 2, 1952
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
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OWNER_NO: 2-537
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RESERVE:

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FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 216

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.05~~ 77.93 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 15
DESCRIP: Glossy medium brown in color with hints of steel blue. As is common to Capped Bust Half Dollars of the 1820's, doubling is noted on Liberty's nose, mouth and chin. However, no trace of doubling is visible on the reverse or at the outer periphery of the obverse. One for study by an experienced numismatist.
DIE_STATE: Middle die state with the obverse crack weak (probably due to wear) and the engraver's scratch from the leaf through E1 very strong.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-534
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE: